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## EUROPEAN NEWS.

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**The Proposed Reform Demonstration Abandoned.**

**The London Times on Impeaching the President.**

**Circular Letter from Count Bismarck on German Affairs.**

**The Greek Uprising in the Mediterranean Islands.**

### GREAT BRITAIN.

**The Reform Demonstration Abandoned.**

LONDON, Thursday, Jan. 10—Noon.

The leaders of the Reform movement have decided not to make the proposed demonstration upon the meeting of Parliament, by the introduction of mass petitions, but will adopt the less turbulent course of permitting it to come up in the usual course of legislation.

**The Impeachment of the President.**

LONDON, Thursday, Jan 10—Noon.

The *Times*, in a leading article this morning, says that the proposed impeachment of the President of the United States, shows that a revolution is passing in the Union. It also points out the dangers which may follow so questionable a proceeding.

### PRUSSIA.

**Circular from Count Bismarck—Foreign Relations of Prussia.**

BERLIN, Thursday, Jan. 10.

Count BISMARCK has issued a circular letter to the representatives of Prussia at foreign Courts, in which he points out the good footing in which Prussia now stands with all foreign Powers; assures them that peace will be maintained, and declares that he shall now devote himself to the consolidation of Germany.

### ITALY.

**The Government and the Church Property.**

FLORENCE, Thursday, Jan. 10.

It is said that the Italian Government is willing to release the church property on the receipt of six hundred millions of livres.

### GREECE.

**The Cause of the Grecks Brightening.**

LONDON, Thursday, Jan. 10—Noon.

Reliable advices have been received here that the plot of the Greeks in the Mediterranean islands to assert their independence is spreading rapidly. Formidable popular uprisings have occurred in other islands, and the Greek cause has suddenly brightened.

### TURKEY.

**A Minister to be Sent to Washington.**

FLORENCE, Thursday, Jan. 10.

It is stated that RASTEIN BEY, the present Minister of the Turks to this country, will shortly be withdrawn, and sent to represent his Government at Washington.

### FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

**London Money Markets.**

LONDON, Thursday, Jan. 10—Noon.

The following are the current quotations for American Securities:

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| United States Five-Twenties | 73¼ |
| Erie Railway Shares | 45 |
| Illinois Shares | 81 |

LONDON, Thursday, Jan. 10—Evening.

Consols closed at 91 for money.

American Securities closed at the following prices:

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| United States Five-twenties | 73½ |
| Illinois Central Shares | 80¾ |
| Erie Railway Shares | 44½ |

**Liverpool Cotton Markets.**

LIVERPOOL, Thursday, Jan. 10—Noon.

The Cotton Market opens dull, with a slight decline in Middling Uplands, which are quoted at 14⅝d. ₱ lb. The sales for to-day will reach 10,000 bales.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday, Jan. 10—Evening.

The Cotton market, to-day, continued dull, but closed without any further decline, Middling Uplands having been last quoted at 14⅞d.

The sales of the day did not exceed the noon estimate.

### MARINE NEWS.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday, Jan. 10.

The steamship *City of Boston*, from New-York Dec. 29, arrived at Queenstown last evening, en route to this port.

SOUTHAMPTON, Thursday, Jan. 10.

The steamship *Deutschland*, Capt. WESSELS, which left New-York Dec. 29, touched at this port to-day, and after landing passengers and mails for London, proceeded to Bremen.

## THE PACIFIC COAST.

**Arrival of the Rising Star—$874,764 in Treasure.**

The steamship *Rising Star*, HARRIS, Aspinwall Jan. 2, with treasure, merchandise and passengers to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, arrived this port yesterday morning. The following is her

SPECIE LIST.

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| Panama Railroad Company | $15,298 21 | Dabney, Morgan & Co | $137,783 49 |
| Third Nat. Bank, New-York | 8,958 56 | Lees & Waller | 447,717 48 |
| Duncan, Sherman & Co | 34,933 89 | Wells, Fargo & Co | 94,272 41 |
| Eugene Kelly & Co | 109,800 00 | Flint & Hall | 1,000 00 |
| | | Order | 25,000 00 |
| Total | | | $874,764 04 |

### UNITED STATES OF COLOMBIA.

**President Mosquera Resigns the Presidency of Colombia—The New Commercial Tax—Yellow Fever at Aspinwall.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1867.

The news market is rather dull to-day. The people, both native and foreign, are enjoying the holidays and the beautiful weather, leaving trade to take care of itself. With the exception of a little movement caused by the arrival of the French transport *Rhin*, with 600 poor soldiers from the West coast of Mexico, and the usual arrivals and departures of the French, American and British steamers, there is a dead calm. Even our political patriots, whose trade is revolution and an ardent love of—the loaves and fishes—are quiescent, and peace reigns everywhere except at the cock-pit.

From Bogota, the capital, the news would be considered important if there was less of the farcical in it. The dates are to the 9th of December. On the 6th Gen. MOSQUERA handed in his resignation of the office of President of the United States of Colombia, for the reasons, as he alleges, that MURILLO, his predecessor, had acted so weakly and ruled the country so miserably that he exhausted, not only all the cash, but all the resources from which to replenish the Treasury. The army, he says, is full of abuses, and false certificates have drawn from the Treasury over a million of dollars. The Archbishop of Bogota and the lesser Churchmen are in rebellion against the Executive. The circular forbidding the people of the States to get up petty rebellions against their local Governments has met with no respect from the State rulers. In short, there is a general tendency to anarchy and threats of assassination against the Executive. "The Supreme Court," he asserts, in effect, "is aware of all this, and of the endeavors of the public Press to instigate a rebellion; that the people who think they can save themselves may do so, for all he cares, if they will only leave him in quiet until they are completely ruined and gone in, when they will find him as calm and serene as a June morning, lamenting over the follies of politicians. In fact, that such a magistrate as he is ought not to be expected to sacrifice himself for a people so immoral, so debased and so turbulent as are his dear countrymen."

Of course, the Supreme Court "couldn't see it" exactly in this light, and so refused to accept his resignation. What it all means we shall, no doubt, find out shortly. But you may bet one of LEARY's best that the "Grand General" will hold on till his time is out, if he lives—and people generally suppose a good while longer.

MOSQUERA's last decree, that all the coasting trade must be carried on by vessels under the Colombian flag, unless the tonnage of the vessels exceeds 200, is looked upon here as another of his attempted blows at American interests, for a good deal of this trade has, for a long time, been carried on in accordance with law under the American flag. And if he insists upon his decree, it will also be a blow as well against the interests of the Republic, for its people own no vessels, and never will own any, so long as they are liable to be seized on the slightest pretexts by both the National and State Governments, to aid in their petty revolutionary squabbles.

The *Rhin* brings 600 French soldiers from the Mexican coast, and is fitting out here for a voyage with them around Cape Horn. About 100 of them are sick, most of them being under charge of their own surgeons and Dr. LE BRETON, of Panama, at the Strangers' Hospital. Two died yesterday, and several more are in a bad way. Poor fellows! their dreams of Mexican conquest have led them to solitary graves in a foreign land, presided over by those bone-yard sentinels, the ugly buzzards.

On the 27th, the Masonic Fraternity, presided over by Dr. LITTLE, United States Consul, gave a ball and supper at their rooms, at which many prominent outsiders were present. The native ladies did not turn out in any great force, the remark of the Bishop of Panama that the Pope had excommunicated all Free Masons being considered by the majority as tantamount to an order not to participate in the festivities. Nevertheless the foreign ladies made up quite a party, and dancing was kept up till 2 o'clock in the morning, which is pretty well with the thermometer at 85°.

The new commercial tax for the present year in Panama has been assessed, and amounts to $60,000, a considerable increase over last year. When our merchants shall be taxed so high that they shall be forced to enhance the price of their goods, their customers from Ecuador, Central America and the west coast of Mexico will have to pass through Panama for Europe and the United States to make their purchases, and then shops will be let cheap in Panama. The goose that lays the golden egg will soon be on his last legs, if things go on in this way.

The British steamer from Australia is due here day after to-morrow. A spare steamer, the *Prince Alfred*, arrived here from Sidney on the 27th. The last steamer for New-Zealand and Australia left this bay on the 26th.

Gen. WILLIAMS, the new United States Minister Resident to Salvador, arrived here on the 19th on the *Rising Star*, and will leave in a few days for his destination.

The French steamer *Washington*, from St. Nazaire, arrived at Aspinwall on the 30th, and leaves the latter port on the home voyage to-night.

Several sudden deaths have occurred lately at Aspinwall of passengers from St. Thomas on the British steamers, said to be from yellow fever. No regular residents has been attacked, unless the architect sent out by the St. Nazaire Company to build their offices be so designated. He had been only three weeks in the place, and probably brought the disease with him. Both Panama and Aspinwall are now remarkably healthy.

The United States Consul at Aspinwall, Mr. RICE, has, after a good deal of discussion with the authorities of the port and State, finally carried all his points in the matter of the brig *Jacmel Packet* and cargo, in which the Government authorities claimed jurisdiction, and the property is now entirely at his disposal. The vessel and cargo, as soon as supplies are obtained and a few repairs made, will be sent to New-York, consigned to the United States Marshal or Collector of the Port for adjudication. Capt. JOHN A. DANES, the master, assisted by Mr. DONALISIO, who completed the purchase of the cargo and vessel, after being informed by the Consul that the former was stolen property, made every effort to override the Consul, but failing, ran away to Micautilan, Mexico, on a Bri ish brig, just as an order from the Courts was preparing for his arrest. DAWES is said to have twice before in the United States—once at Boston and once at Providence, R. I., sold the cargoes of his owners, and ran away.

The report I send you under the Central American head, that forty-six United States troops had died from cholera, on the land transit over Nicaragua, I believe to be exaggerated. The news was brought by the Nicaragua Government courier, from San Juan del Sur to Realijo. This courier is famous for big stories; not long ago he magnified a slight shock of earthquake at Massaja, into the destruction of the whole city. But whether a half dozen or forty-six United States troops died in the transit over that route, makes but little difference in the principle of sending them that way. Of the two hundred and seventy-five men of the same detachment, who came over the Panama route, not one was sick on the voyage to Aspinwall, or left Panama sick. The troops over the Nicaragua route, just off the ship, had to march thirteen miles over a hot, dusty road, from Virgin Bay to San Juan del Sur, and march quickly, which is rather rough usage, under the circumstances. Even then, it is said they were left behind at San Juan del Sur, arriving too late for the California connection.

### SOUTH AMERICA.

**Affairs in Chili, Peru, &c.—Arrival of Minister Rousseau at Honduras.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1867.

The British special steamer *Limena*, with mails and passengers for the St. Nazaire line, arrived in this Bay on the 29th, bringing dates from Callao and Lima to the 22d of December, and later dates from Chili.

CHILI.

The allied Peruvian and Chilian fleet, under command of the Confederate TUCKER, left Valparaiso for Juan Fernandez on the 7th ult., "where it will remain eight or ten days practicing at the guns, and then return to Valparaiso." Rather a funny programme!

Senor BLEST GANA is on his way from Chili as Minister to Washington.

The American bark *Fannie*, 160 days from New-London, arrived at Valparaiso on the 6th, with fourteen Parrot guns, purchased by VICUNA MACKENNY in the United States for Chili.

In a collision off Cape Horn between the American ship *Star of the Union* and the British bark *Simon Hbaley*, the latter was sunk, but the crew were saved.

The British bark *Uruguay*, which sailed from Valparaiso recently for Liverpool, with a cargo of wheat, it is feared is lost, as a quantity of stuff from that vessel was picked up outside the Bay.

Report says that Chili has definitely refused the proposed mediation of France and England between her and Spain.

HENRY MEIGGS, finding it rather hard to sell $560,000 worth of tickets for the raffle in his house near Santiago, is trying to enlist the Church, having given $100,000 of the tickets to the Church and charitable institutions. MEIGGS, it is said, has squandered nearly the whole of the million or so of dollars he made in completing the Valparaiso and Santiago Railroad.

Business was brisk in Valparaiso. The exports of flour were large.

PERU.

Ex-President PEZET and his Ministers have been sentenced by the Central Court, for making the Vivanco-Pareja Treaty with Spain, to expatriation for fifteen years as traitors to their country, and fined 50 per cent. on the $3,000,000 which they gave to the Spanish agents.

CENTRAL AMERICA.

The Panama Railroad Company's steamship *Salvador*, from Central American ports, arrived at this port on the 30th ult. There is nothing new from Guatemala and Labrador. The United States Minister Resident, Gen. ROUSSEAU, of Kentucky, had reached Honduras and been received by the President. Honduras and Nicaragua had made a treaty of peace, amity and friendship. The cotton crop in Nicaragua was suffering severely from worms. Forty-six of the United States troops sent from New-York to San Francisco over the Nicaragua route died from cholera on the land route.

The coffee crop in Costa Rica and Guatemala will be abundant and good. A powder factory in Herradura, Costa Rica, lately blew up, killing five women. The powder was ignited from the cigar ashes of one of the women.

The dry season had fairly set in, and the roads were good.

### HAVANA.

**The Commercial Crisis—Government Bonds as a Circulating Medium—The United States and Cuba Submarine Telegraph.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Jan. 5, 1867.

The Government is doing its best to alleviate the tightness of the money market and again restore confidence to our mercantile community, and in the safety and fair prospects of the Royal Spanish Bank. Formerly all dues to the Government had to be paid in gold. The Captain-General issued an order on the 29th of December, according to which all debts due to the Government, with the exception of the proceeds from sales of Government and church property, may be paid one-third in Government bonds, to be taken at their full value, and the other two-thirds in notes of the Spanish Bank. This law will be in force from the 1st of January to the 30th of June.

This order virtually discredits the notes of the Spanish Bank, as until now they were considered the same as specie. A supplementary order issued modifies the order in regard to the two-thirds in favor of Havana, where the notes will be admitted the same as specie, while in the balance of the Island they will be at a discount. This one sided and unjust policy will complicate matters instead of alleviating the necessities of commerce.

Prospects in regard to the amelioration of the condition of our commerce do not seem to present themselves. There is no movement whatever in sugars, and the expected remittances from the United States and Europe have not yet reached here. Our merchants flatter themselves that no failures will take place, but this result is inevitable, as the whole machinery of trade has received too hard a shock to enable it to run without some stoppages. Several meetings have been held by the importers and bankers to make concessions and extend the notes of the produce and provision dealers, and the latter in turn have also held meetings, asking more privileges than the others are able or willing to grant. The bankers and importers offered the following propositions:

1 and 2. That the merchants shall pay weekly during January the amounts they owe for purchase for cash, also those accruing during the month of December.

3. That the notes due in January be extended to February and March; those of February in April and May; those due in March in June and July; those due in April in August and September; those of May in October and November, and those of June and following months in December, 1867.

4. That the funds arising from the tax of two per cent. on the purchases of the merchants be held as a security, and in case they should not be sufficient, extend the term for three months.

5. That as soon as those conditions are accepted by the merchants, they will enjoy the same credit as before.

6. That it be recommended to pay without delay all debts less than $1,000.

The merchants have not accepted these very liberal offers, asking for more privileges and extension of time, thus showing that they are either in a very difficult situation and embarrassed condition, or that they are trying to make a good thing out of it. Another difficulty presents itself: It is very doubtful whether the conditions, even when modified, will suit all the importers and merchants, and whether many houses, who have sufficient means to hold out and meet their liabilities, will be willing to sacrifice their individual or corporate interests to haul others out of the mire. Foreign merchants in particular will not be over anxious to adhere to any agreement made here, especially as long as the odious tax of two per cent. remains in force, which, in reality, is not paid either by the shipper or merchant, but by the consumer. The chief of Bossier's Bank has published a card in the city papers, answering certain rumors and statements in the papers regarding the affairs of said bank, in which Mr. BOSSIER states that the suspension is only momentary and for want of funds, and that the institution has a large cash surplus over its assets, and that it is able to meet its liabilities as soon as they receive the cash for the paper they hold. But Mr. BOSSIER forgets to mention that in case of the failure of some of our produce merchants, they will lose more than the surplus profits amount to, leaving a margin of between one and two millions of dollars, which deficit cannot be covered by less than one-fourth that sum.

The conditions in regard to the telegraph cable to connect us with the United States have just been approved by the Spanish Government, and the contract signed by Mr. WILLIAM SMITH, of New-York, on the part of the contractors. According to the arrangement, the cable will have to be laid between Key West, or some other point on the Florida coast, and Havana. The line will be under the supervision of the Spanish Government, and subject to the laws of the Telegraph Bureau. The employes will be appointed by the government, but the salaries will be paid by the company. No private messages will be sent in cypher. This will be a great thing for our island, as it brings us in daily communication with the outside world, and assist our mercantile operations materially. It is proposed to lay the cables to Porto Rico, St. Thomas and Mexico.

The Duke of Veraquas, the last living descendant of CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS, has just died in Spain at an advanced age.

MARKETS—Owing to the difficulties in the money market, no operations in sugars or molasses are reported.

Exchange plentiful and falling. Sterling 60 days, 14 to 15 ₱ cent. premium; francs, 4 to 5 ₱ cent. premium; 60 days currency, 22 to 24 ₱ cent. discount, and short sight, 20½ to 21 ₱ cent. discount. Gold bills, 60 days, 2 ₱ cent. premium, and short sight 4 to 5 ₱ cent. premium. QUASIMODO.

### MEXICO.

**Maximilian Reported to have Abdicated—Quarrel with the French Minister.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Jan. 5, 1867.

The French Minister and Gen. CASTELNAU left Mexico on the 20th ult. for Puebla, to see MAXIMILIAN. Several very stormy and excited interviews took place between them, the language used being at times so loud that the sentinel heard everything going on inside. When the last mail left it was positively asserted that the Emperor had formally abdicated, and the report was not denied. The vessel sent by the Emperor of Austria to bring MAX. home had arrived in Vera Cruz, and all the baggage was then ready to be embarked. I have received such information as leads me to believe that in my next I shall be able to give you the news of the Archduke's departure.

The Imperial General LOZADO has pronounced against the Empire, and proclaimed an armed neutrality until the end of the civil war. He gives each of the contending factions the right to march through his territory after having first obtained his permission. The General and all his officers and troops agree to serve without pay. This action has produced great discontent in Mexico, as it deprives the Imperialists of a good soldier and over 2,000 active troops.

VIDAURI, the Ex-Governor of New-Leon, will command one of the brigades under MEJIA, and operate in the States of New-Leon and Coahuila, where he enjoys great personal popularity.

The affairs under Generals ESCOBEDO, ALVAREZ, were defeated, near Tilapa, by a detachment of French under Col. POTTIER, suffering very heavy losses. The town was taken at the point of bayonet by the French.

Mr. DIEGO L. KENNEDY, an American, and United States Vice-Consul at Jalapa, died there on the 15th ult. He was an old resident of Mexico, and one of the founders of Mazatlan, in 18:8.

The Liberals under PALAMIO RIVAS, were committing unheard of atrocities at Tuleniniigo, whichplace they took possession of on the 16th. A large number of Indians are in the command, and their first order on taking possession, was to tell the people to retire to their houses, after which they assassinated the men and ravished the women.

The Custom-house authorities in the City of Mexico, do not recognize the action of the French in Vera Cruz, and refuse to deliver any merchandise to the merchants in Mexico, which left the Vera Cruz Custom-house after the 12th ult., the day on which the French took possession. QUASIMODO.

**The Last French Soldier to be Embarked by March 3—Miscellaneous.**

VERA CRUZ, Saturday, Jan. 5.

The steamer *Thames* has put in for coal. Her passengers from the interior discredit the reported capture of San Luis Potosi. TREVINE has six thousand Liberals scattered over the country pillaging without ammunition. MEJIA has two thousand nine hundred men armed and well supplied with ammunition. They think the Liberals were defeated.

BAZAINE has ordered the last French soldier to be embarked for France by the 3d of March. The whole force is on the move toward the coast. The rear guard is at Charcas.

When the officer of the *Susquehanna* landed at Vera Cruz, some Mexicans cheered him, for which they were afterward beaten and badly wounded by two French soldiers.

On the 3d of January a gang of robbers succeeded in throwing off a train of cars near Vera Cruz, and robbed all the passengers. They also robbed the diligence and outraged the persons of three women passengers.

CHARLES MOREHEAD, of New-York, and DAVIS & CO., of the largest banking-house in San Luis Potosi, were imprisoned for six weeks in a cell for an offence against the French officers.

## THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

### SECOND SESSION.

SENATE....Thursday, Jan. 10.

PETITIONS.

Mr. WADE presented a petition for the passage of the House Tariff Bill, which was referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. SHERMAN presented a similar petition which was similarly referred.

Mr. LANE presented a petition for a modification of the duty on cigars, which was referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. HENDRICKS presented a petition asking that the duty on flax seed be fixed at not less than thirty cents, which was referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. MORGAN presented a petition for the passage of the House Tariff Bill; which was referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. SUMNER presented the petition of the citizens of Pennsylvania for a constitutional amendment abolishing all distinctions on account of color; which was appropriately referred.

Mr. EDMUNDS presented several petitions for the passage of the House Tariff Bill; which were referred to the Finance Committee.

REFUNDING EXCESSIVE DUTY.

Mr. SHERMAN called up the bill for the relief of the Wenona and St. Peters Railroad Company, of Minnesota, which was passed and goes to the House. It directs the Secretary of the Treasury to refund to the Company named, $3,421 28, excess of duty collected on railroad iron.

PASSAGE OF THE BILL REGULATING THE MEETINGS OF CONGRESS.

Mr. POLAND called up the House bill to fix the time for the regular meeting of Congress.

Mr. WILLIAMS asked if Senators or Representatives would be entitled to more than two mileages for the Fortieth Congress. He thought this provision ought to be inserted.

Mr. POLAND said that under the bill no member of the present Congress would be entitled to additional mileage. New members who were obliged to come here from home would be allowed mileage.

Mr. WILLIAMS said that would add to the expense of the Fortieth Congress, and the idea was that nothing would be done more than to effect an organization on the 4th of March. He did not believe that the people would approve of an additional outlay for the purpose.

Mr. POLAND said that he was not aware that the special session of Congress on the 4th of March was to be of such short duration as Mr. WILLIAMS supposed. He thought Mr. WILLIAMS would find that he was mistaken in that belief.

Mr. HENDRICKS thought there was no necessity for such legislation as this. It was not thought necessary to keep Congress in continual session during the war, and he did not see the need of it now. If it was a party measure, he had nothing to say, but if it was claimed to be required by the interests of the country, he would like to have it explained. He believed the country had got along very well without a continuous session heretofore. He should like to know the necessity for the additional session hereafter. If it was simply designed to hold the President in check, the country ought to know it. If it was for strictly party purposes the country ought to know it. He believed the passage of the bill had been determined on in caucus, but he thought the Senator having charge of the bill, ought to explain the matter a little.

Mr. EDMUNDS said he had only taken charge of the bill at the request of Senators who were absent, and of members of the House. So far as he knew the reasons that procured the passage of the bill in the House, the principal one was to provide an additional officer for the succession to the Presidency in the event of the death of the President. The bill would give us a permanent Speaker of the House, which we would not have without it. How much political significance there might be in the bill he did not know. He was not prepared to say that the unfortunate differences between the President and Congress had not contributed to the passage of the bill, though how much it had contributed he could not say.

Mr. HENDRICKS inquired if the President *protem.* of the Senate, would not hold over in that position, if a member of the next Congress, that is, if he would not hold office during the vacancy.

Mr. POLAND replied that he thought he would.

Mr. HENDRICKS said, if that were the case he contingency of the President's death was already provided for.

Mr. JOHNSON raised the same question put by Mr. POLAND, and asked Mr. FOSTER in the chair to answer it.

Mr. FOSTER replied that the Senator elected *pro tem.* before the adjournment held that office during the recess, and until his successor was elected.

Mr. HENDRICKS offered an amendment to the second section of the bill, to add the following words: "Unless there be a recess in such session for more than thirty days, in which case members of the former Congress shall receive mileage." The amendment was disagreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed; yeas 26, nays 7.

YEAS.—Messrs. Anthony, Chandler, Conness, Cragin, Creswell, Edmunds, Fessenden, Fogg, Foster, Grimes, Henderson, Howard, Howe, Kirkwood, Lane, Morgan, Morrill, Poland, Ramsey, Sherman, Stewart, Sumner, Van Winkle, Wade, Willey, Williams—26.

NAYS—Messrs. Backalew, Hendricks, Johnson, Morton, Patterson, Riddle, Saulsbury—7.

As passed by the Senate and sent to the House for concurrence in the amendment the bill is as follows:

An Act to fix the times for the regular meetings of Congress:

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That in addition to the regular times of meeting of Congress, there shall be a meeting of the fortieth Congress of the United States, and of each succeeding Congress thereafter, at 12 o'clock M. on the 4th day of March, the day on which the term begins for which the Congress is elected, except that when the 4th of March occurs on Sunday, then the meeting shall take place at the same hour on the next succeeding day.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted that no person who was a member of the previous Congress shall receive any compensation as mileage for going to or returning from the additional session, provided for by the foregoing section.

CANAL THROUGH THE ST. CLAIR FLATS.

Mr. CHANDLER presented resolutions from the Buffalo, Detroit, and Toledo Boards of Trade, recommending the plan proposed to the Secretary of War, through the Engineer Department, of making a straight canal through the St. Clair Flats, instead of further expenditures of money in dredging the existing channel, and praying Congress to make the necessary appropriations therefor, which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS IN THE TERRITORIES.

Mr. WADE called up the bill to amend the organic acts of the Territories of the United States, by prohibiting the denial of civil or political rights on account of color.

Mr. WADE offered the following as a substitute for the pending bill:

That from and after the passage of this Act, there shall be no denial of the elective franchise in any of the Territories of the United States which are now or may be hereafter organized, to any citizen thereof, on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude, and all Acts, or parts of Acts, either of Congress or of the legislative assemblies of said Territories, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, are hereby declared null and void.

The above was adopted as a substitute and passed. The following is the vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Anthony, Conness, Cragin, Creswell, Edmonds, Fessenden, Fogg, Foster, Fowler, Grimes, Henderson, Howard, Howe, Kirkwood, Lane, Morgan, Morrill, Poland, Sherman, Stewart, Sumner, Wade, Willey, Williams—24.

NAYS—Messrs. Buckalew, Dixon, Hendricks, Johnson, Norton, Patterson, Riddle, Saulsbury, Van Winkle—9.

The bill now goes back to the House for concurrence in the amendments.

THE BILL REGULATING THE TENURE OF OFFICE.

Mr. EDMUNDS called up the Senate bill to regulate the tenure of office. The bill was taken up and read at lenth.

A bill regulating the tenure of certain civil offices.

SECTION 1. That every person, excepting the heads of Departments, holding any office to which he has been appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; every person who shall hereafter be appointed in the same manner to any office, and shall become duly qualified therefor, is and shall be entitled to hold said offices respectively, until a successor in like manner is appointed and duly qualified, unless otherwise provided by law.

SEC. 2. That when any officer appointed as aforesaid, excepting Judges of the United States Courts, shall, during the recess of the Senate, be guilty of misconduct in office, or for any reason shall become unable to perform its duties, in that case, and in no other, the President may appoint a person to fill said office by granting him a commission that shall expire at the end of the next session of the Senate; but the evidence and reasons for the action of the President in such cases shall be in writing, and filed in the proper Department for inspection. And the President shall also have power, in like manner, to fill all offices not before filled, and all vacancies that may happen during the recess of the Senate by death, resignation or expiration of term, and not otherwise. But no appointment shall be made without the advice and consent of the Senate to any office filled as aforesaid after the session of the Senate at which the temporary commission shall expire. *Provided*, That this act shall not apply to or interfere with any rules made by Congress for the government of the land and naval forces.

The Committee recommended to strike out the above and insert the following:

SECTION 1. That every person, excepting the Secretaries of State, of the Treasury, of War, of the Navy, and of the Interior, the Postmaster-General and the Attorney-General, holding any civil office to which he has been appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and every person who shall hereafter be appointed to any such office, and shall become duly qualified to act therein, is and shall be entitled to hold such office until a successor shall have been in like manner appointed, and duly qualified, except as hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 2. That when any officer appointed as aforesaid, excepting Judges of the United States Courts and excepting those specially excepted in Section 1 of this act, shall, during a recess of the Senate, be shown by evidence satisfactory to the President, to be guilty of misconduct in office, or crime, or for any reason shall become incapable or legally disqualified to perform its duties, in such case and in no other, the President may suspend such officer and designate some suitable person to perform temporarily the duties of such office, until the next meeting of the Senate, and until the case shall be acted upon by the Senate, and in such case it shall be the duty of the President, within twenty days after the first day of such next meeting of the Senate, to report to the Senate such suspension, with the evidence and reasons for his action in the case, and the name of the person so designated to perform the duties of such office. And if the Senate shall concur in such suspension, and advise and consent to the removal of such officer, they shall so certify to the President, who may thereupon remove such officer, and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoint another person to such office. But if the Senate shall refuse to concur in such suspension, such officer shall forthwith resume the functions of his office, and the powers of the person appointed in his stead shall cease, and the official salary and emoluments of such officer during such suspension, belong to the person performing the duties thereof, and not to the officer so suspended. Provided, however, that the President shall not be hereby precluded from reinstating such officer in the performance of the duties of his office.

SEC. 3. That the President shall have power to fill all vacancies which may happen during the recess of the Senate by reason of death, resignation, expiration of term of office, or other lawful cause, by granting commissions which shall expire at the end of their next session thereafter; and if no appointment by and with the advice and consent of the Senate shall be made to such office so vacant or temporarily filled as aforesaid during such next session of the Senate, such office shall remain in abeyance, without any salary, fees or emoluments attached, until the same shall be filled by appointment therefor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; and during such time all the powers and duties belonging to such office shall be exercised by such other officer as may by law exercise such duties and powers in case of a vacancy in such office.

SEC. 4. That nothing in this act contained shall be construed to extend the term of any office, the duration of which is limited by law.

Mr. HOWE could see no reason for excepting the heads of Departments from the operations of this law. If he understood the question aright, they were created by law for the public welfare, just as much as an Indian agent, or a Deputy Postmaster.

Mr. EDMUNDS said the Committee that prepared this bill, did not doubt that the heads of Departments were public officers, responsible to the people, but it seemed to them best just to leave to the President full discretion in the selection of his Cabinet officers.

Mr. HOWE could still see no reason for making the exception proposed by the Committee. It was true that the Cabinet officers had peculiar relations to the President, but they were not the less responsible to the people. A British Cabinet officer had to leave the Cabinet when his course became displeasing to the people, and he could not see why an American Cabinet should not be as much responsible to the people as a British Cabinet.

Mr. BUCKALEW argued against the proposition of the House.

Mr. HOWE moved to strike out the words "except the Secretaries of State, of the Treasury, of War, of the Navy, and of the Interior, the Postmaster-General, and the Attorney-General," in the first section of the proposed substitute.

Mr. EDMUNDS thought the President ought to have left to him the discretion given him by the exceptions named in the bill.

Mr. HOWE said the second section of the bill provided a sufficient safeguard against corrupt Cabinet officers.

Mr. WILLIAMS opposed the amendment of Mr. HOWE. He held that the President was responsible directly or the acts of his Cabinet officers, and therefore could not be limited by the Senate in the selection of them.

Mr. FOGG asked Mr. WILLIAMS if he thought the President could be impeached for the misdemeanors of a Cabinet officer.

Mr. WILLIAMS said he did not think he could unless it could be shown that he was a party to the crime committed by the Cabinet officers.

Mr. FESSENDEN said the Constitution imposed upon the President, and not upon the Secretary, the duty of executing the laws. Secretaries were the confidential advisers of the President, and standing in that relation, their connection with him was very peculiar. It was important that their relations should be entirely harmonious. It was not many years ago since a complaint arose because the Cabinet officers were not harmonious among themselves. It had already been the practice to let the President select his own Cabinet officers, and the Senate always confirmed them, even when they did not like them. He did not think it was treating the office of President with great respect, to say that he should not remove a Cabinet officer during the recess of Congress. It was carrying the matter too far. Under ordinary circumstances he would be opposed to legislating on the subject at all. He regretted that there was any necessity for it. He had stated at the last session that if the President should disregard the power of the Senate in the matter of appointments, by reappointing men whom the Senate had rejected, he would be in favor of legislating on this matter. That contingency had arisen. The President had reappointed men from the State of Maine who had been rejected by the Senate. He understood the Senator from Maryland (JOHNSON) to hold that this was in violation of law.

Mr. JOHNSON said he so believed.

Mr. FESSENDEN was glad the Senator from Maryland agreed with him.

Mr. HOWARD said the President had committed the offence in a great many cases that had come within his knowledge.

Mr. HOWE resumed the floor in advocacy of his proposed amendment.

Mr. JOHNSON said he was free to give the opinion that the practice of reappointing men, rejected by the Senate, was in conflict with the spirit of the Constitution. He had expressed the opinion once as Attorney-General. It was but just for the President to say, however, what he had done had been done in accordance with the example of his predecessors, and this example had been based upon the opinions of the Attorney-Generals, WIRT, CUSHING and others. All that he would say, in his judgment, such practice was at war with the spirit of the Constitution; because it enabled the President to take from the Senate all its power and responsibility in the matter of appointments. With regard to the President's power of removal it had not been seriously questioned, since the first session of Congress, when it was settled by a majority of one that he had that power. Mr. MADISON held that the power of removal might be so abused and as to render the President liable to impeachment, but since that time he practice had been upon a different belief.

Mr. JOHNSON referred at some length to the conduct of President JACKSON, in removing the Secretary of the Treasury for the purpose of appointing a successor who would remove the United States deposits.

On the immediate question before the Senate, which was Mr. HOWE's amendment, Mr. JOHNSON said it was impossible to have harmony in the councils of the President if you denied him the right to select his own Cabinet. The result might be to give to the President a Secretary of State, inimical to him, who would seek to involve the country in foreign entanglements. The Secretary of State would be more properly an officer of the Senate, under the operations of the proposed amendment, than a confidential adviser of the President. The same would be true of the Attorney-General. The President might find the man he had selected for this office, to be incompetent, and his incompetence might operate to the disadvantage of the Government, yet he could not remove, but only suspend him. It would be difficult to find any one to fill the place for the few weeks for which the suspension took place.

Mr. BUCKALEW said this bill involved many very important questions which he hoped would be separately and distinctly debated. The power of the President to remove from office, he said, had been settled for 77 years, and a proposition to change it now ought to be approached very cautiously. He hoped, without going into any further debate, the proposed amendment would not be agreed to.

The question was then taken on the amendment of Mr. HOWE, to strike out the words, excepting the Secretaries, &c., in the first section of the proposed substitution, and was decided in the negative.

Mr. SHERMAN proposed to insert in the first section of the proposed substitute, after the words "such office," the words, "during the term limited by law;" and the above amendment was subsequently withdrawn.

Mr. SHERMAN offered the following additional section as an amendment:

That no money shall be paid from the Treasury of the United States to any person having been nominated for any office and rejected by the Senate, and subsequently appointed to that office by the President, for any salary, fees, perquisites or expenses accruing after the close of the session of the Senate during which his nomination was rejected; and if any person shall appoint or sign, or prepare such an appointment or commission, or if any person so rejected and reappointed shall hold or exercise the functions of the office for which he was rejected by the Senate, after the close of the session of the Senate at which he was rejected; or if any disbursing or accounting officer shall allow, or pay to any person so rejected, any salary, fees, perquisites or expenses accruing for that office, after the close of the session of the Senate at which he was rejected, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined, not exceeding $10,000, or at the discretion of the Court shall be imprisoned not more than five years.

That it shall be the duty of all Courts of the United States having jurisdiction of criminal offences to give this act specially in charge of Grand Juries organized in such Courts.

Mr. EDMUNDS said he would like to see such a proposition as the above in the form of an independent bill, but he would prefer not to see it as an amendment. He hoped Mr. SHERMAN would withdraw the amendment, and let the sense of the Senate be taken on the general proposition embraced in the bill of the Senate.

Mr. SHERMAN said the President was acting on an opinion of the Attorney-General, that a man rejected by the Senate could be reappointed immediately. Cases in which this has been done had occurred in Ohio, New-York and Philadelphia. This bill was to prevent a repetition of the offence, yet under it the President could be impeached for doing what he had already done very often.

Mr. EDMUNDS said he agreed in all that Mr. SHERMAN had said, but he believed it would not be wise to put his amendment to the bill. Such a measure could be brought forward after the passage of the bill. At the request of Mr. EDMUNDS, Mr. SHERMAN withdrew his amendment.

Mr. HOWARD offered an amendment to insert in the second section of the substitute, after the words "acted upon by the Senate," the words "and shall require of such person a bond with sufficient security for the faithful discharge of the official duties under such temporary appointment," if such bond be required by law of the person suspended.

Pending the consideration of the above, the Senate adjourned, Mr. POLAND having previously given notice of his intention to call up the Bankrupt Bill on Monday next.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

CREDENTIALS.

Mr. COOPER presented the credentials of A. M. BRANCH, as representative from the Sixth Congressional District of TEXAS, and THOMAS FOSTER, as representative from the Third Congressional District of Alabama. Referred to the Committee on Reconstruction.

EXCUSED.

Messrs. B

## GEORGIA.

**Snow-bound on a Plantation—What I Saw, Heard and Think—The Condition of the Freedmen.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

UNION POINT, GREEN COUNTY, Ga., FRIDAY, Jan. 4, 1867.

During the past few days spent in this and the adjoining counties I have had the opportunity to witness the conclusion of several contracts between planters and freedmen for the year of grace which has just commenced, and to form a pretty accurate judgment of the relations existing between the contracting parties, and of the feelings which animate the employers in their dealings with the emancipated negroes. It may be that I was especially favored in the cases which came under my immediate observation, but never have I seen in any country I have visited a more cordial confidence, more hearty good will, or more promising combination of interest between the employing and laboring classes, than I saw on the occasions to which I have referred. The ircedmen, with few exceptions, had worked during the past year on the places where they reegaged, and are very generally the former slaves of their present employers. They nearly all said that they made enough for meat and bread by their last year's labor to support them and their families for the next twelve months, after paying back all the advances which were made to them for provisions and clothing, and a few whose quiver was only moderately stocked with arrows in the shape of woolly-headed picaninnies, claim to have a surplus which they are prepared to sell at the present remunerative prices. A few who have numerous small children, and who have had to pay for medical attendance, found when the accounts were squared, that the balance was on the wrong side, but as it was shown that their failure was not attributable to any want of diligence or exertion on their part, the employers forgave them their debt, left them their share of the crop intact, and thus gave them good cause to hope that the New-Year would be happy. With plenty to eat, money in both pockets, good comfortable dwellings, as much firewood as they can use, a good supply of poultry of their own, "a couple of shoats" for next year, and plenty of milk, (and this is the condition of most of them, according to their own account,) I think so far as things material are concerned, they do not need the intervention of Mr. WENDELL PHILLIPS, nor is the necessity so urgent as he seems to suppose for those extremely philanthropic Governmental reforms which he so eloquently advocates at the Cooper Institute. How many of those who weep with him over the cruel wrongs of the "poor negroes" are vastly more fitting objects of compassion and relief! On one of the places where I visited I witnessed the inauguration of a school for the freedmen and their children and the installation of the schoolmistress, who is engaged and paid by the employer, who also finds the school-room, desks, benches, &c., and the fuel, the pupils furnishing the rations, in payment of the intellectual food which the teacher is to supply fresh from that inexhaustible mine known as *Webster's Speller*. The negroes seemed to manifest great interest in their school, professed to feel much anxiety to learn and "get an education," and expressed the determination to make all their children attend regularly and be diligent and obedient to the teacher.

The manager on this place—the man who has entire control of the hands, the stock, supplies, &c., in the absence of the employer—is an intelligant negro. He is quite proud of the trust reposed in him, and unless he uses words to conceal his thoughts, is resolved to prove that he can "do as well as any overseer." He is a very earnest and enthusiastic Methodist. While I was at the plantation some of the hands thought that they would celebrate Christmas, and make it merrier by engaging a fiddler and having a dance. But dancing being specially prohibited by all Methodists as a sin of a more than ordinarily productive nature, the colored manager peremptorily forbade the dance, but graciously permitted the music, including that particular melody which he called "love songs," and which the performer and his audience seemed to understand. There was no question of his authority, no rebellion, and though the dance was evidently regarded as an innocent enjoyment by some, Methodism triumphed. The manager told me afterward that he was responsible for the order and regularity of the place; that if he allowed dancing it would cause strange negroes to congregate there, promote idleness, lead to card-playing and drinking and rioting, and that he thought it best to stop it at once. I was much struck by the willing acquiescence in his command, and doubt whether, if the order emanated from "a white man," it would have been as patiently received. I rather think that this negro is a *rara avis in terris*. (Ho is *nigroque simillimo cygno*, as a matter of course.) He maintains the most rigid discipline; reports all absence without leave, neglect of duty, injury to tools, mules, &c.; keeps the keys of all the supplies; in fact does everything that an overseer ever did, and seems to have the confidence of his subordinates as well as of the employer. The success of his management has induced neighboring proprietors to make a similar experiment, and employ negro managers; but whether they will repent, or be glad at the end of the year, is one of those things which remains to be demonstrated. A friend of mine who has bought a plantation in Ogelthorpe County, intends to try the experiment, and plant without the aid of a Caucassian manager. His principal apprehension is that the mules and stock will suffer, and that he will probably be obliged to employ a white "stock-murder." Negroes in general are very negligent of animals. They cannot be made to comprehend that rubbing and currying are beneficial, or that there is any good in regular feeding and watering. Neither do they see much cruelty in working a mule with a galled shoulder or back, so long as he can go, and the requirement of a clean stable is regarded as the most unreasonable luxury that could possibly be exacted. The "stitch in time saves nine" adage is either unknown to or is shamefully neglected by the colored race. If harness breaks, they never think of mending it but provisionally with a piece of cotton rope, a rusty nail, or "a bit of stick." A wagon's wheels may cry aloud for grease, but they do not get it until the axle is worn and the intervention of the blacksmith is necessary. These are the defects which will prevent employers generally from giving even the best of them control of their farming operations. Experience may teach them, and the practical necessity for thrift and economy may bring them in time to learn their value.

The contracts, at least all those I have seen, are just in their requirements and liberal in their terms. I have seen a good deal in Northern papers of the criminal attempts by old slave-owners to bind negroes by harsh and unjust contracts, but it has been my good fortune not to see any of them. I have visited plantations in most parts of this State during the year, and have seen and talked to both whites and blacks, and while I do not pretend to say that no wrong or injustice has been done or attempted, I do say very positively that I have not seen any, and that I am therefore satisfied that injustice is the exception—the rare exception—and that kindness and liberality are the rule.

It may be that "the Bureau" has produced this favorable result, and that but for its good influences the negroes would not be as well off as they are. But to a superficial observer the necessity for so an expensive an establishment is not apparent, especially as the local laws and magistracy afford ample protection against every imaginable wrong or injustice.

"In the memory of the oldest inhabitant" there has not been so heavy a fall of snow as that which has fallen, and is still falling in this part of the country. To be snow-bound on a plantation at this season of the year is not generally entertaining or agreeable. But I have managed to pass the time very satisfactorily watching closely the practical working of the greatest social experiment of the age, faring sumptuously on "hog meat" in every shape, from the ham to the sausage, and from the fat "middling" to the spare-rib, defying cold by fires of oak and hickory logs, made more intensely hot and brilliant by "fat lightwood," and enjoying very much the pages of *Griffith Gaunt*.

If the weather permits, I propose to return to Augusta to-morrow. I miss the daily papers, and want to know what is thought of WENDELL PHILLIPS' last plan of "reconstruction."

QUONDAM.

## THE EXCISE LAW.

**Provisions of the Statute—Preparations for its Enforcement—Measures to Frustrate its Execution—Who are Entitled to Licenses—Instructions to the Police Force.**

The Excise Law, known in law as "An act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors within the Metropolitan Police District of the State of New-York," was passed by the last Legislature with a view to enabling the cities and towns in the District to raise some revenue from a business which it was believed was the basis of much of the expense devolving upon the community at large; as also for the prevention of scenes which ought not to be permitted in the midst of any civilized community. It needed no argument to show that young men had been demoralized by their attendance upon society such as they could find in the saloons of this City and other places; that night was made hideous by the tumults which occurred in places where liquors were sold; that such places were the haunts of thieves, gamblers, and all sorts of dangerous characters, and that it had become unsafe both to the Police who during the night guarded the City from the spoiler, and to the citizen going about his business, to be out in the streets alone. In many districts of the City the Police were obliged to walk about in pairs, and even then were not unfrequently assailed and beaten. Of the ten thousand persons who sold liquors in this City and Brooklyn, only some 750 had any licenses, leaving the balance in the category of law-breakers. All of them, or most of them, kept their places open on the Sabbath, and the statistics of the Police Department indicate conclusively that more annoyance was caused, requiring the services of the Police force during the twenty-four hours of Sunday, than on any other day of the week. The passage of the Excise Law, therefore, was hailed with rejoicing on the part of the people, while it sent consternation to a large number of dealers in the worst kinds of liquors. The respectable persons who dealt in liquors, and who were always known to be scrupulous as to the quality of liquids served out to their customers, also hailed the law with delight, and proceeded to act under it. Such as were denied licenses by the Excise Board, and others who were led by the noses by some wary lawyers, applied for injunctions to prevent the Board interfering with them in their business. The following is the law substantially:

THE EXCISE LAW.

The Excise Law forms the 578th chapter of the laws of the State of New-York, and passed both Houses of the Legislature April 14, 1866, three-fifths of the members being present. The title of the act states that it is intended for the regulation of "the sale of intoxicating liquors within the Metropolitan Police District of the State of New-York," and it enacts that the Commissioners of the Metropolitan Board of Health are constituted a Board of Excise for the Metropolitan Police District of the State of New-York, excepting the County of Westchester, and they also shall possess the powers and perform the duties of Commissioners of Excise within said Metropolitan Police District. There shall, in said Metropolitan Police District, be an officer known by the title of "Inspector of Excise."

Sections 3 and 4 provide that from and after the 1st of May, 1866, no person or persons shall, within the District publicly keep, or sell, give away or dispose of any strong or spirituous liquors, wines, ale or beer in quantities less that five gallons at a time, unless as he or they may be licensed.

The Board of Excise shall have power to grant licenses to persons of good moral character, who shall be approved by them, permitting them for one year from the time the same shall be granted to sell and dispose of, at any one named place within said District, &c., strong and spirituous liquors, in quantities less than five gallons at a time upon receiving a license fee, to be fixed in their discretion. Such licenses to be in the form of a written or printed certificate, stating the name of the person or persons and the place licensed; shall be signed as the Board shall direct; shall be kept posted by the persons licensed conspicuously in the places where such sales are made, and shall be exhibited at all times by the persons so licensed, and by all persons acting under such licenses, on demand to every Sheriff, constable or officer or member of the police; any omission so to display and exhibit such certificate shall be presumptive evidence that persons so omitting to display and exhibit the same have no license.

Sections 7 and 8 provide that persons not licensed may, within the said district, keep, and, in quantities not less than five gallons at a time, sell and dispose of strong and spirituous liquors, &c., provided that no part thereof shall be drunk or used in the building, or in any building, yard, garden or inclosure communicating with, or in any public street or place contiguous to, the building in which the same shall be kept, sold or disposed of. Licenses so granted shall not authorize any persons to, nor shall any persons publicly keep, sell, give away or dispose of any strong or spirituous liquors, &c., on Sunday, or on any day upon which a general or special election or town meeting shall be held, within one-quarter of a mile of the place where the same shall be held.

Persons licensed shall prevent, so far as in their power, and shall at all events give immediate notice to the Police, of all and every disturbance, disorder or breach of the peace in any place which shall be so licensed, and shall forthwith cause all persons to be removed therefrom, and the place to be closed, and kept closed until quiet is restored.

Neither shall any licensed person sell, give or dispose of any strong or spirituous liquors, &c., to any apprentice or person under 18 years of age, knowing or having reason to believe him to be such without the consent, in the case or an apprentice, of his master or mistress, in the case of a person under eighteen years of age, of his father, mother or guardian, nothing in the law contained shall divert from the State Inebriate Asylum such proportion of license fees as is now set apart for said institution by existing laws. The said Board shall annually report all sums so received by them, and all magistrates and courts shall monthly report and pay over to said Board all fines imposed and received by them.

The law further enacts that any person who shall sell any strong or spirituous liquors or wines to any of the individuals to whom it is declared by this act to be unlawful to make such sale, shall be liable for all damages which may be sustained in consequence of such sale, and the parties so offending may be sued in any court in this State by any individual sustaining such injuries, or by said Board of Health, and the sums recovered shall be for the benefit of the party injured.

THE EXECUTION OF THE LAW.

The duty of executing the law was intrusted to Mr. JOHN A. KENNEDY, Superintendent of Police, who immediately issued General Order, No. 449, to his captains, on the 17th of April, 1866, to obtain the necessary information to enable the Excise Board to act intelligently. This was embraced in the following requirements:

You will make report, arranged by street and number, on or before the 28th day of April, current, of every place in your precinct where such liquors, or any of them, have been sold, at any time during the past twelve months; in every case giving the full name of each person so engaged in selling, whether as sole proprietor or partner.

You will, also, in each case, report distinctly on the following points:

1. Whether sales were made under authority of license duly granted by Excise Commissioners of the County, or in defiance thereof.

2. Whether the places were kept open, or liquors of any kind were sold, on Sundays or election days.

3. Whether the places were open for business between twelve o'clock at night and sunrise, or during any portion of that period of time.

4. Whether females were employed as bar tenders, or waiters, in the drinking rooms.

5. Whether music, or other extraneous attractions, were introduced into the drinking rooms.

6. What class of persons have been in the habit of frequenting the place.

7. Whether it has been necessary for the police to visit the place for the protection of the public peace. If so, how often.

8. Whether the proprietor has been arrested by the police since being engaged in this business. If so, how often, and on what charges.

The issuing of the above order was the signal for the cursing of the devoted Superintendent in every low groggery and infamous den in the Cities of New-York and Brooklyn, and steps were to be taken forthwith to have him displaced, and one of the plans contemplated an amendment of the Police Law so as to legislate Mr. KENNEDY out of office. As the law was enforced Mr. KENNEDY gradually but certainly became more unpopular among the rum-sellers who didn't like the Excise Law, and hated Mr. KENNEDY's record of their places even worse.

DELIVERY OF BLANKS TO APPLICANTS.

By General Order No. 450, the Captain of each Precinct was provided with blanks of application to be given to persons applying for license to sell less than five gallons at a time, but only to such as he (the Captain) could recommend. Each blank, when delivered to the applicant, was to have the indorsement of the Captain as a guide for the Board. Each Captain had also to keep a correct record of the blanks thus delivered, and was to be present at the Board when the applicants presented themselves.

HEARING OF APPLICANTS.

On the 1st of May Mr. KENNEDY issued General Order No. 451, which fixed the days for the hearing of the applicants in person at Police Headquarters. The first hearing was on the 4th of May, and included applicants from the First, Second, Third and Twenty-seventh Precincts, and the following day brought up the applicants from the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Precincts, as was done in succession in connection with this order, many ludicrous scenes at the hearings are recalled. In no profession or calling of life, is it possible to get together a body of men who seemed so know so little, and to care less about law, or their obligations to society; who seemed so utterly steeped in ignorance, as the men who presented themselves before the Board on the second day of application. The men who were present on those days of application, from May 4 to May 24, constituted a social study, as well as the problem to be studied; they were the indication lines of the moral pest-houses of the City, the outlines of the dens of immorality. While there were many excellent citizens among the number, there were more who were the opposite.

General Oorder No. 454 was issued on the 19th of May, for the purpose of calling the attention of the Police Captains to the provisions of the law to be enforced by them, followed by General Order No. 457, June 12, directing the Captains to prepare complete rolls of the licensed places in their respective Precincts, the rolls to be filed at Headquarters; and after one inspection of all places where liquor was sold, the law was to be enforced against all offenders. The places were not to be closed by the Police, but offenders were to be arrested, taken to Court, and arrested as often as they repeated the offence.

THE INJUNCTION PERIOD.

As matters were becoming close, and the liquor dealers who kept the worst dens were beginning to feel the restraints of the law to be unpleasant to them, at the same time that the community outside of this very small interest was rejoicing over the improved order which prevailed in the City by day and by night, the Courts were applied to for injunctions. Judge CARDOZO taking the lead in the enterprise. The number of injunctions issued was as follows:

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| Issued by Judge Cardozo | 704 |
| Issued by Judge Brady | 129 |
| Issued by Judge McCunn | 21 |
| Total | 854 |

While the injunctions were pending Mr. KENNEDY issued General Order No. 461, July 2, which directed the City and Police Justices to be sure to summon before them all the persons who had obtained injunctions, and once in each twenty-four hours make report of the same to Headquarters. Meantime the Order of Injunction was to be observed until a legal release therefrom was announced.

INDICTMENTS.

On the 4th of July, Mr. KENNEDY issued Order No. 462, relative to the cases which had been brought before Recorder HACKETT for decision. It was as follows:

"It has become necessary for the Police to relax the effort it has been making under authority of the 19th, 24th and 26th sections of the Excise Law of 1866, in consequence of the action of Recorder HACKETT, at the Court of General Sessions, in the cases of the People *vs.* JACOB KRUSBAAR and five other defendants, indicted by the Grand Jury for violation of that law. The question decided by the Recorder was one that was fairly before him; and, although there is good ground to differ with him in the conclusion reached, yet, until reversed by a higher judicial authority, his decision must be respected and complied with. It may require considerable time to have the question of the constitutionality of the law finally disposed of; and it would work an injury toward the persons who have been adjudged by the Excise Board as worthy to be intrusted with license, and who have paid therefor to permit other persons to sell, who were not deemed worthy to be so intrusted, and who have resisted the operation of the law, to enjoy business advantages over them. Therefore, while you will continue vigorously to enforce all other laws of the State now applicable to the sale or liquors, and to a due observance of the Sabbath day, you will suspend, until further orders, any action required of you to be performed under the Excise Law of 1866."

The District-Attorney, as was his duty, appealed the case to the Court of Appeals. While that was pending a disaster befel the liquor interest in Brooklyn, which is fully stated in the following General Order No. 467, issued by Mr. KENNEDY July 21, 1866:

SUPREME COURT DECISION.

The Supreme Court, in Chambers, of the Second Judicial District, on the hearing of two several writs of *habeas corpus* for the release of KETCHUM and DE VAUGES, who were under arrest for selling "strong and spirituous liquors, wine, ale and beer" without license and the Metropolitan Board of Excise, remanded the prisoners to custody, and decided (two Justices concurring) that the act of April 14, 1866, being chapter 578, is constitutional and in full force, so far as was submitted to the Court on the question involved. It, therefore, devolves on every member of the Metropolitan Police force, whose sphere of duty is within the limits of the Second Judicial District, and of the Metropolitan Excise District therein, to enforce so much of the law referred to, as forbids the sale of certain liquors without license. You are, therefore, ordered to arrest any or all persons who may be found, within the limits above designated, acting in violation of the third section of the Metropolitan Excise Law.

Thereafter the people had a long suspense. Two elections came and went, and much of the business pertaining to them was transacted in unlicensed liquor places. The Excise Law was said to be the death-stroke to the Republican Party in the State—a stroke from which recovery was impossible. All sorts of theories for the amendment of the Excise Law were suggested and discussed, mostly however with an eye to some scheme of political interest; never, except by the temperance people, with a view to what would tend to the cause of general improvement and public safety.

THE LAW DECLARED CONSTITUTIONAL.

At length the law was declared to be constitutional, and arrangements at once entered into to execute it throughout every portion of the District, which is as follows: The Cities of New-York and Brooklyn; the villages of New-Brighton and Edgewater, and the towns of Castleton, Northfield, Southfield, Westfield and Middletown, in the County of Richmond; the towns of New-Utrecht, Gravesend, New-Lots and Flatbush, in the County of Kings; the village of Astoria, and the towns of Flushing, Newtown and Jamaica, in the County of Queens.

To this end Mr. KENNEDY issued another order, No. 463, as follows:

The Court of Appeals, on the several cases brought before it involving the constitutionality of the act of April 14, 1866, being chapter 578 of the Laws of 1866, and commonly known as the Excise Law, has decided that the law in all its parts is constitutional. Under this decision it becomes the duty of every member of the Metropolitan Police Force "to compel the observance of and to prevent the violation" of the provisions of this law, which declares violations thereof to be misdemeanors, and thereby authorizes every officer and member of the Police to arrest for such violations without warrant. This duty is expected to be performed with vigor. In enforcing this law, you will be careful not only to prevent all persons within the Excise District from disposing of any "strong or spirituous liquors, wines, ale or beer," in quantities less than five gallons at a time, without license, but will also keep a close watch on those that are licensed, and arrest and hold all such as may not keep the place in which they are licensed to sell, etc., completely and effectually closed "between the hours of 12 o'clock at night and sunrise, and on Sunday" the entire day, as provided by Section 16. You will also see that they do not dispose of any of the licensed liquors to children, or to any other of the classes inhibited by Sections 11, 12 and 13. Section 16 makes it a misdemeanor for any persons except those licensed, and those permitted to sell in quantities of more than five gallons at a time, to have any "sign, notice or token" about their premises that such liquors, wines, ale or beer are kept for sale. You will forthwith notify all unlicensed persons within your precinct who have such signs or tokens on their premises, to remove them without delay; and if such notice is not complied with in three days, you will arrest the delinquents for the misdemeanor, and have them disposed of as required by the last clause of Section 20. You will make separate and special reports of all violations of this law by any person holding an excise license, and of any person in the employ of such person, in order that it may be laid before the Board of Excise, with the view of revoking the license held.

THE LAST ORDER.

Owing to some misunderstanding it was deemed important that still another order of a most explicit nature should be issued, hence the following was sent from Headquarters, by Mr. KENNEDY, by telegraph:

GENERAL TELEGRAPH ORDER.—There seems to be a misunderstanding about the time when notice is to be given, under General Order No. 463, for taking down signs, &c., by persons not licensed to dispose of liquors. You will therefore understand that the Excise law is not to be enforced until Saturday, 12th inst., and that persons notified to remove liquor signs, &c., on that day will be allowed three judicial days, thereafter, in which to remove them, therefore, no person can be arrested on this charge until Thursday, 17th inst. J. A. K.

A FEW POINTS TO BE REMEMBERED.

Persons who sued out injunctions, who are otherwise entitled to receive licenses from the Excise Board, will receive them as soon as the injunctions shall have been removed and the orders of the Courts vacated. Till then the treasurer cannot accept the fee for license, nor can the parties be interfered with in carrying on their business.

Persons who carry on the refreshment business, and who keep open houses for the benefit of persons having occasion to be out during the night or morning, such as newspaper printers, &c., &c., need not close their places entirely; but they must effectually cover up that portion of their premises protected by the license, after 12 o'clock at night or on Sundays.

Licenses are non-property and cannot be transferred. In all cases where there is a transfer of places for the sale of liquors, the Board will grant new licenses for a full year, making allowance for the unexpired portion of the time signified by the face of the original license.

Judge RUSSELL has charged the Grand Jury that all cases under the Excise Law sent to them from the District-Attorney are to be entertained. But as the same Judge also charged the Grand Jury that they might originate cases where the public interests at large are at stake, so they may take cognizance of any cases of violation of the Excise Law without waiting for any message from the District-Attorney.

The closing point to be observed is simple and must commend itself to all. The people of New-York are avowedly a law-abiding people, independent of the existence of many irregularities which are not to be disputed here, and the Excise Law being declared by the highest judicial authority in the State to be constitutional, it becomes the duty of all good citizens to sustain it. It is the law and should be obeyed in letter and in spirit.

## OBITUARY.

**Death of Hon. John Fine, of St. Lawrence County.**

Hon. JOHN FINE died in Ogdensburg on the 4th inst., in the 74th year of his age. He was a native of this City, and graduated from Columbia College in 1809, at the age of 15, receiving the second honor, the English salutatory. He studied law for five years, and removed to St. Lawrence County in 1815, and formed a law partnership with Lorin HASBROUCK, which continued until the death of the latter in 1834. In 1824 he was appointed First Judge of the county, and was continued in this office by reappointment till March, 1839. In the Fall of 1838 he was elected to Congress, and served through the term. In 1844 he was reappointed First Judge, and held that office until the adoption of the new Constitution in 1847. During his service of over eighteen years on the bench, three only of his decisions were reversed. In 1848 he was elected to the Senate, and served one term. Judge FINE received the degree of Master of Arts from Columbia College in 1813, and that of Doctor of Laws from Hamilton College in 1850. From 1821 to 1833 he held the office of County Treasurer. In 1852 he published a volume of lectures on law for the use of his sons, of which Judge CADY has said: "I do not believe there is another work in the English language which contains so much legal information in so few pages." In the various benevolent movements of the day, especially in the founding and support of the County Bible Society, Judge FINE has been prominent. A few years since he lost the sight of one eye, and the other was so much affected from sympathy as to render him unable to participate with his fellow-citizens in public affairs. For the last two years he has gradually declined.

**Allowance to Informers.**

In the United States Circuit Court at Louisville, Ky., on Saturday last, Judge BALLARD rendered a decision, which involves the question as to how far the pardoning power of the President extends. The case in which the decision was rendered was that of the United States against J. G. HARRIS, who was arrested last Summer for selling cigars without having upon them the proper revenue stamps. He was tried, found guilty and sentenced to pay a fine of $600, $250 of which was, by order of the Court, allowed to the informer. After the conviction, and while HARRIS was confined in prison, the President remitted two-thirds of the fine—$400. But Judge BALLARD on Saturday decided that the President could not remit any part of the fine allowed the informer, and that the latter, notwithstanding the pardon, was entitled to $250.

## LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

**A FRACAS IN THE BOARD OF COUNCILMEN.**

**An Inkstand Thrown at the President—Pistols Produced—The Lobby in a Ferment—The Session of the Board Cut Short by the Police.**

As already stated in the TIMES, the Board of Councilmen organized on Monday last and adjourned to 2 P. M. yesterday.

It was generally supposed that Mr. JOHN STACOM would have been elected President of the Board and Mr. HAGGERTY Clerk, and a resolution was offered to that effect, but Mr. STEPHEN ROBERTS offered as a substitute a resolution to elect Mr. BRINKMAN President and Mr. GREEN Clerk.

To the profound astonishment of those who were not in the secret the substitute was adopted by a vote of 13 to 12, the vote standing as follows:

YEAS—Flynn, McVeany, Terhune, Seger, Brinkman, Gilmore, Webber, Thomas Murray, Turner, Walter B. Roberts, Thomas, Stephen Roberts, Cregier—13.

NAYS—O'Brien, Reilly, Stacom, Long, Lamb, Ulkin, Gibney, Daly, Hartman, Kenney, H. Murray, Hart—12.

So indignant were the minority at what they considered the cheat practiced on them, that the Committee appointed by the temporary Chairman to conduct Mr. BRINKMAN to his seat declined to extend that courtesy to him, and after an interchange of expressions, forcible, if not polite, Mr. BRINKMAN proceeded unattended to the chair. As he passed along several of the members branded him as a perjurer, and one desired to know "who it was that swallowed a Bible in the caucus." Mr. BRINKMAN did not reply to this pointed question, but took his seat in the chair.

It is alleged, in explanation of this scene, that Mr. BRINKMAN took an oath in private caucus to support Mr. STACOM for the Presidency, and at the last moment "sold out," the price being the Presidency of the Board for himself and the head clerkship for his friend, Mr. GREEN.

On the other hand, Mr. BRINKMAN's friends assert that the other party did not keep faith with them, and consequently BRINKMAN was released from his oath. Thus the matter stood, and it was very naturally supposed that the ensuing meeting of the Board would be a stormy one, and so it proved. The Board had adjourned to meet at 2 P. M. yesterday, and long before the hour the stairways and passages leading to the chamber of the Board were thronged with an excited crowd, who discussed the proceedings which took place at the last meeting in an animated if not very polite manner.

The newly-elected President of the Board, Mr. BRINKMAN, and several of the members, entered the Chamber by the private door, and a rush was made by the crowd outside to get in with them, but this was prevented, and Mr. BRINKMAN and his friends, anticipating a row, dispatched a messenger to Capt. BRACKETT for half a dozen policemen. These were promptly on hand, and the doors being then thrown open the lobby rushed in and disposed of themselves in the best manner they could.

It was noticeable that one of the officers of the Board made his appearance with an eye which had evidently come in contact with somebody's fist; and one of the members appeared to have been engaged in a recent tussle.

At 2 o'clock, Mr. BRINKMAN ordered the roll to be called, and most of the members answered to their names.

A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes. An angry discussion between Messrs. STACOM, FLYNN and HARTMAN followed on the question of reading the minutes, and about half a score of members endeavored to speak at once. Finally, the President declared the motion adopted.

Councilman HARTMAN here rose and exclaimed, "I enter a protest against the decision of the Chair. That gentleman in the chair is a perjurer!"

Councilman FLYNN now moved that when the Board adjourn it do so to meet that day two weeks.

The President put the question, and declared it adopted amid great confusion, about half the members present declaring that they protested against the decision of the Chair.

Several members, misunderstanding the purport of Mr. FLYNN's motion, rose to leave, supposing the Board adjourned, and considerable confusion ensued.

Order having been in some measure restored, Mr. GREEN, the Clerk, read a list of clerical appointments made by him, (already published in the TIMES,) and submitted them to the Board for approval.

This was the signal for a general row. Several members rose and declared that the Board was adjourned, while others assailed the President with the epithets "Perjurer," "Scoundrel," "Swindler," &c.

Mr. STACOM made himself heard amid the confusion exclaiming that the Board would never meet again while that perjurer sat in the chair; that it was useless to attempt to transact any business, and that he appealed to the Republican members of the Board for justice.

The lobby here joined in and assailed the President with all sorts of uncomplimentary epithets—"perjurer," "swindler," "Bible swallower," &c., being among those applied to him.

Councilman LONG, who sat nearly opposite the President, now rose apparently for the purpose of delivering a speech, but instead of doing so he seized an inkstand and threw it with great force at President BRINKMAN's head. The aim, however, was not true, and the missile fell harmless after striking the front of the President's desk.

This was the culminating point. The members rose in a body, the lobby sprang over the railings into the centre of the chamber; the clerks left their seats and the reporters gathered up their notes and waited patiently for the next scene.

It was not long in coming, for Officer HALLETT, of the Twenty-sixth Precinct Police, with Officer KINNEY, of the Mayor's office, here rushed in and forcing their way through the crowd that thronged the body of the chamber, arrested President BRINKMAN, who had retreated behind the reporters' table, and Mr. MCCLENNAHAN, a clerk in the Street Department, at the same time securing a pistol that had been passed to McCLENNAHAN by BRINKMAN. They were both taken before Capt. BRACKETT, where Mr. LONG, the thrower of the inkstand, made a complaint against BRINKMAN for carrying a concealed weapon.

Mr. BRINKMAN said that as his life having been threatened, he had consulted with Justice HOGAN, who had granted him permission to carry a pistol.

Here it was announced that the Mayor having been requested to hear and dispose of the case, had agreed to do so, and the parties proceeded to the Mayor's Office.

Mayor HOFFMAN said that it was a nice state of things when gentlemen could not meet without throwing inkstands at each other and drawing pistols. Such proceedings would inevitably lead to the abolishment of the Board of Councilmen. "It," said Mr. HOFFMAN, "you will agree not to carry your quarrel further, I will discharge you on your own recognizances, otherwise I will hold you."

Mr. LONG replied that he would make no promise, nor could he have faith in any promise made by Mr. BRINKMAN. He would not, he said, consider his word good for anything.

The Mayor said that the value of Mr. BRINKMAN's word was a question for him (the Mayor) to decide.

Mr. BRINKMAN said he carried the pistol for self-protection, as he had been informed and believed that his life was in danger. He had not drawn it until an inkstand had been thrown at him. He had had a conversation with Justice HOGAN on the subject, and the Justice had authorized him to carry a pistol.

Mayor HOFFMAN said the Justice HOGAN had, in so doing, exceeded his powers, and that no Magistrate was authorized to give permission to any one to carry weapons. The Police of the City were able and willing to protect citizens if they anticipated violence.

The friends of Messrs. BRINKMAN and LONG here had some private conversation with them, the result being that they promised the Mayor to be on their good behavior for the future, and were, therefore, discharged on their own recognizances.

It is quite evident that every future meeting of the Board will be attended with disorder, and perhaps violence. No business can possibly be transacted while the present feeling among the members exists, and as neither party appears willing to give way, the result will of course be a dead-lock, which may perhaps be cut short by the Legislature.

## THE SWINDLING CONSPIRACY.

**Examination of William C. Williams on a Charge of Forgery—Extraordinary Testimony Offered by the Complainant—No Definite Result Attained.**

Yesterday morning Justice HOGAN made a preliminary examination in the charge of forgery made against WM. C. WILLIAMS by Mr. SAMPSON H. SMITH, of the firm of SMITH & CO., of No. 60 Catharine-street. WILLIAMS is accused of having forged the name of the firm in an indorsement to a check for $3,000, drawn by CURTIS & CO. on the Central National Bank of No. 320 Broadway. The prisoner is also made a co-conspirator in the alleged extensive scheme of swindling operations of FOLGER & TIBBS, the examinations in which case have been already reported in the TIMES. This charge of forgery being a separate case, the first hearing was granted yesterday morning.

*Charles E. Rogers*, paying teller of the Central National Bank, was called to the stand and testified that the check alleged to be forged was received by the bank through him, and the amount charged to the account of Curtis & Co., who have since announced that the check was not properly chargeable to them.

The complainant, Mr. SMITH, on being sworn, he was submitted to a severe cross-examination by defendant's counsel. In his original affidavit, an abstract of which was published in the TIMES some weeks ago, the complainant stated that the accused has falsely and fraudulently used and forged the names of the firm of SMITH & CO. When examined yesterday his testimony seemed to take a different bias from the first affidavit in the case, and the impression was created in the minds of those present that he aimed to shield WILLIAMS. He deposed, as will be seen from the following supplementary affidavit that he had given the prisoner permission to open an account with Messrs. HOWES & MACY in the name of SMITH & CO., and to draw checks in the same way. His complete evidence was as follows:

I have known Williams since August last; I have had business dealings with him; he did open an account in the name of Smith & Co. at the house of Howes & Macy; I had one check for $600 of Smith & Co., drawn by Wm. C. Williams on the banking-house of Howes & Macy, and used it for the benefit of Smith & Co., of which firm I am a member; Wm. C. Williams employed the clerks for me; he employed a man named John —— and Robert ——, to bought goods of him; I do not recollect saying that he was a member of the firm of Smith & Co., of which I was a member; I do not recollect seeing any other check but the one mentioned; I never has the check for the $3,000 in my hands until the day the complaint was made; Curtis & Co. did not owe my firm any money; I did not lose anything by the check; I was urged to make the original affidavit by a lawyer named Smith and a Mr. Jewett, a merchant; I should not have come had they not urged me; Mr. Jewett came to my store and said Mr. Buel, the President of the bank, had told him that he knew me, and that if it had not been for him and Mr. Buel, I would have been arrested; he then wanted to see my signature, and I showed it to him in three different ways; he then showed me some checks and said "now I will get my money," for he knew the signature on the check was not mine, by the way I had written the other three; he then asked me to come over to Court, and in the mean time I spoke to no one, that he did not wish to see me in trouble, and that he would see me out all right; he then came in with Mr. Buel and I came over to Court; while on the way I said "I think I had better consult a lawyer;" he replied that it was not necessary; I made and signed the affidavit; I at first refused to sign it on the ground that Williams had not injured me by doing this, and because it would pronounce him a forger; Mr. Jewett did not explain what he meant when he said he would get his pay; I did not give Mr. Williams authority to sign the name of Smith & Co. to checks; I did not draw any checks on the bank account opened by Williams; the check of $6(30 was duly honored.

*Re-direct*—The firm of Smith & Co., which I represent, was composed of myself and my brother, Lansing Smith; I know that Williams had no authority from my brother to sign the name of Smith & Co.; Williams was not a member of the firm of Smith & Co., that I am aware of at any time; I do not know that Williams opened a bank account at the house of Howes & Macy of my own knowledge, except by the check of $600; I bought goods from Williams as salesman from the house of Folger & Tibbs; the goods were delivered at No. 60 Catharine-street; the goods are sold in the name of Folger & Tibbs.

*Re-cross-examined*—Williams asked me if he could use the name of Smith & Co.; I told him he could; he asked me this about the 1st of October; I gave Williams authority; the check I spoke of as being of $600 is for $593 12; I have not spoken to the prisoner since I made the affidavit; the affidavit I made on the 15th of November, 1866, was true.

The examination was then adjourned until next Monday, the 14th inst.

When examined on the charge by the magistrate, WILLIAMS gave his age as 38, and he is a native of this City. In answer to the complaint, he made the following statement: The signature is mine; I am not guilty of forgery; I am the company of that concern.

He was then sent down to a cell, bail being refused.

It is understood that the prosecution have considerable testimony to offer in this branch of the main case, and the entire course of proceedings appears to be of a very complex nature.

## THE POOR CHILDREN OF BROOKLYN.

**The Work of the Industrial School and Home for Destitute Children in that City.**

The charitable institutions of Brooklyn are numerous, but of them all there is none more fruitful in good, none that appeals more directly to the head and heart of every true man or woman than the Industrial School Association, the Home for Destitute children.

The first annual report of this Society states that the work was commenced by "a few benevolent ladies, whose hearts were moved to compassion by seeing so many little female beggars and vagrants about the streets." They conceived the idea of "taking these friendless wanderers from the streets and placing them in a school where they might be taught, clothed and fed." "At an informal meeting which was held on the 27th of March, 1854, a committee of three ladies was appointed to decide upon and name a board of managers; also a committee of three to draft a constitution and by-laws, and to prepare notices and invitations to the churches in the city to attend a public and general meeting, which was appointed to be held on the 4th of April, for the purpose of maturing the organization of the association." At this general meeting the Committee previously appointed for that purpose reported a Constitution and By-Laws which were read and adopted. A Board of Managers was then chosen, consisting of one member from each Church there represented. In the month of February, 1855, the voluntary organization thus established incorporated itself under the general law providing for the incorporation of benevolent, charitable and other institutions, and caused their certificate to be filed in the office of the Secretary of State. The certificate of incorporation declares it to be the business and object of the society "to establish and support industrial schools for destitute children in the City of Brooklyn, in which they shall be taught the elementary branches of a useful education, and so trained and instructed as to promote their moral welfare." In order more fully to carry out the objects of the institution, they applied to the Legislature in 1857 and obtained an act amending and enlarging the powers contained in their charter, and authorizing them to establish and provide a home for destitute children. This act is similar to the act incorporating the Female Guardian Society and Home for the Friendless, in New-York, and gives to the Brooklyn Industrial School Association and Home for Destitute Children authority to receive by surrender from their parents, and by commitment from the Mayor or Surrogate, children whose parents neglect to provide for them, or who are committed for crime; and when children are so received the Association becomes their guardian, with full power to bind them out by adoption or to service. In the fifth annual report it is stated that it was found absolutely necessary to pass this act in order "to enable the ladies of the Industrial Schools to assume the guardianship and control of such of their scholars as were found to lose the benefit of their daily instruction by being maltreated and degraded by their drunken and unnatural parents while at home." Owing to the increasing growth of the work, it was th

yesterday arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the robbery.

OFF THE TRACK.—A train of cars on the New-Jersey Railroad, which was being "drilled" between Washington and Warren streets, Jersey City, was run off the track, on Wednesday evening, in consequence of a switch being misplaced. A telegraph pole was knocked down, a fence demolished and one of the cars damaged.

## LAW REPORTS.

### Court Calendars To-Day—JAN 10.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM.

*Held by Leonard, P. J., Ingraham and Clerke, J. J.*

*Enumerated Motions.*

| Nos. | |
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| 13—Leigh vs. Hay. | 36—McClure vs. Maynard. |
| 16—Brink vs. Brown. | 37—McCready vs. Woodhull. |
| 18—Hoy vs. Smith. | 38—The Union Bank of New York vs. The Mayor. |
| 20—Morgan vs. Peabody. | 39—Downing vs. Kelly. |
| 23—Dickerson vs. Wason et al. | 40—Gilman vs. Gilman. |
| 28—Schenck vs. Hatfield. | 41—Gilman vs. Gilman. |
| 180 — vs. — | 42—The H'n Ind. Railroad Company vs. Lake. |
| 203 — vs. — | 43—Cohn vs. Dudman. |
| 32—Rach vs. Fischer. | 44—Gillet vs. Esterbrook. |
| 33—Bristow vs. Roux. | 45—The Mechanics' & Trad. Bank vs. Dakin et al. |
| 35—Baxter vs. Davis. | 46—Morange vs. Meigs, Jr. |
| 36—Field vs. Munson. | |
| 36—Jones vs. Tibbitts. | |
| 38—Fessenden vs. Swift. | |

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.

*Part I.—Held by Justice Sutherland—Court opens at 10 o'clock A. M.*

*Short Causes.*

| Nos. | Nos. |
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| 1667—Solomon vs. Noah. | 2167—Andrews vs. Gries. |
| 1961—Baker vs. Hoagland. | 2173—Jourdaine vs. Rushton. |
| 2.05—Bootes vs. Woodman. | 2175—Whitbeck vs. Kirk. |
| 2501—Burdick vs. French. | 2211—Radcliff vs. Cassidy. |
| 2311—Nolen vs. Hazard. | 2163—Cimmantom vs. Wilcox. |
| 2037—Hull vs. McDonald. | 2561—Lantz vs. Moyer. |
| 2119—Vaughan vs. Montgomery vs. Bier. | 2.87—Conover vs. Conching vs. Halbrook. |
| 2409—Chaffee vs. Friese. | 2161—Conching vs. Halbrook. |
| 2189—Reed vs. Fitzgerald. | |
| 2185—Ruger vs. Hasteman. | |

*Part II.—Held by Peckham, J., at No. 73 Duane-street—Court opens at 10 o'clock A. M.*

*Short causes.*

| Nos. | Nos. |
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| 614—Aberle vs. Beck. | 2066—Gattsberger vs. Corwin. |
| 1.24—Meyers vs. McAllister. | 794—Ridley vs. Fisher. |
| 1989—Aburtus vs. Day. | 2732—Smith vs. Corbett. |
| 2156—Blake vs. Bennett. | 2152—Lowe vs. Story. |
| 1898—Lonon vs. Andrews. | 2684—Abou vs. Danielson. |
| 2158—Youngs vs. Williams. | 2172—Donnelly vs. Holbrook. |
| 2178—Hagerty vs. Prim. | 2620—Murphy vs. Chase. |
| 1780—Corwin vs. Stilwell. | |
| 1226—Weiman vs. Herbert. | |

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

*Held by Barnard, J.—Court opens at 10 o'clock A. M.*

*Reserved Causes.*

| Nos. | Nos. |
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| 24—Daby vs. Ericsson. | 185—Burke vs. Donaldson. |
| 81—Watkins vs. Mizener. | 235—Barrendahal vs. Perzell. |
| 85—The People ex rel. Madigan vs. Sykes. | 228—Hall vs. Carroll. |
| 88 — vs. — | 212—In re the app. of Doll for appointment as Trustee. |
| 96—Waite vs. Hinsdale. | |
| 131—Ives vs. Bauer. | 217—Feusnand vs. Cheseborough. |
| 130—Russell vs. Gallahee. | 221—Blumenstal vs. Mc-Hugh. |
| 180—Waite vs. Birdsall. | |
| 185—Reppiter vs. Wilis. | 230 — vs. — |
| 172—Lester vs. Butler. | |
| 173—Same vs. Same. | |

The general call is at No. 241.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM.

*Part I.—Held by Mr. Justice McCunn.—Court opens at 11 o'clock A. M.*

| Nos. | Nos. |
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| 1769—Burns vs. The Mayor, &c. | 2.27—Sanger vs. Buringer. |
| 2271—Cashe vs. The same. | 2057—Foy vs. Foster. |
| 2.81—Rice et al. vs. Spear. | 2773—Bailey vs. The Bank for Savings in the City of New-York. |
| 2821—Knox vs. Mason. | |
| 2.47—Bruce vs. Taylor et al. | 2047—Wood vs. De Camp. |
| 2.81—Bailey vs. Waters. | 2267—Griffith vs. Schrasch, et al. |
| 2.6—McGoll et al. vs. The Lenox Mutual Insurance Co. | 226 —Murphy vs. Dugeau. |
| 725—Jackson et al. vs. Hamill. | 2267—Bertrand vs. Hanbury. |

*Part II.—Held by Jones, J.—Court opens at 11 o'clock A. M.*

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| 2.6—Lyons vs. The Third-av. R. R. Co. | 2264—Walsh vs. Benson et al. |
| 2671—Sandwell vs. The Mayor, &c. | 2269—Whittaker vs. The English-av. R. R. Co. |
| 2.74—Wright vs. Dix. | 2288—Smith vs. Prentice. |
| 2276—Livingston, vs. Robertson, &c. | 2.99—Hastings vs. Isaacs. |
| 2.78—Bishop vs. Jackson, et al. | 2292—Fettretch, Receiver, vs. Totten. |
| 2.80—Wright vs. Ritterman. | 2304—Shallow vs. Guest. |
| 2.75—The People's Bank of South Carolina vs. Logan. | 2.06—Rose vs. Stafford, Survivor, et al. |
| | 2.38—Bertram vs. Lang et al. |

MARINE COURT.

*Held by Gross, J.—The Court opens at 10 o'clock, A. M.*

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| 38—Halsey vs. Gregory. | 49—Halligan vs. Kehoe. |
| 54—Butler vs. Jackman. | 50—Sands vs. Richardt. |
| 48—Marks vs. Hunsicker. | 51—Bonny vs. Burgh. |
| 58—Valentine vs. Valentine. | 52—Hunt vs. Fenz. |
| 186—Kuster vs. Hahke. | 53—Hines vs. Mason. |
| 26—Same vs. Same. | 54—Straup vs. Hayes. |
| — —Schafer vs. Cassidy. | 56—Kingsberg vs. Pollock. |
| 37—Mahon vs. Savage. | 57—Keenan vs. Savage. |
| 61—Chapper vs. Boynton. | 58—Stephens vs. Sterling. |
| 46—Warburton vs. Shopo. | 59—Selnsoerg vs. Root. |

**Devise of Lands to Trustees for Pious Uses—Where no Express Provisions are Made in the Will Against the Sale of such Lands by the Beneficiary, Can it Convey the Fee—Power of the Legislature to Authorize Sale in such Cases—Condition Subsequent—Alienation—Heir.**

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

*Ezra S. Stanley et al., plaintiffs in error, vs. Elizabeth J. Colt.*—Something over half a century ago Nathaniel Stanley, of Hartford, Conn., left, by his will, certain real property in the City of Hartford, to the South Ecclesiastical Society. In the lapse of years this property became valuable, and it was recently sold to the late Samuel Colt. Thereupon the heirs of Stanley, contending that, by a proper construction of the will, the devise was conditional upon the continued ownership of the land by the Society, and insisting that the sale thereof was such a breach of this condition as forfeited the rights of the Society under the will, brought this action to recover the property from the widow of the purchaser.

Believing themselves without the power to convey the fee, this Society petitioned the Legislature of the State of Connecticut to "authorize a sale and conveyance of said property in fee simple," and sold it in pursuance of such enabling act. Under the rulings of the Court below the case resulted in favor of the Society and adversely to the heirs. Appeal was then taken to this Court, where the questions to be determined are, first: Had the Society power, under the will itself, to sell and convey the property to Colt, without incurring a forfeiture? And, second: If it had not such power under the will, was it enabled so to do by the act of the Legislature? And, third: If the Society had no power to convey from either source, what consequence results from its violation of the condition of the devise?

That the Society, under the provisions of the will, could not sell, without violating the condition upon which they held the property, and thus incurring a forfeiture, it is insisted by the plaintiffs in error, is apparent from the very fact of their asking the Legislature for power to sell, as well as from the averments of the petition itself. These show that such was at that time and always had been the construction placed upon the will: and the Legislature found the allegations of want of power to be true. It is also insisted that the very fact of the devise, it being of land, shows the intent of the donor that it should not be sold. He intended that this property should always remain in the hands of the Society, for he desired to be remembered in connection therewith forever. The perpetual ownership of the Society would insure the perpetual memory of the testator in connection therewith, as it would also insure that the principal should never be imprudently expended. If the testator had intended merely to benefit the Society, he could have bequeathed a certain sum in money; but as such a bequest would not have permanently preserved his name and memory in connection with the Society, which was his own desire, the devise was of lands, which cannot perish nor pass away.

But if the Society was without authority to convey the fee of the property before the act of the Legislature, it was equally so afterward; for the Legislature of neither the State of Connecticut nor any other State has the right to alter the express conditions of a will. Such an attempt is contrary to the principles of natural right and justice, which no Legislature can contravene. It has also always been held in the State of Connecticut that such laws are void. Besides, the act of the Legislature was void under the Constitution of the State, because it deprived these heirs of property which, if the act was necessary to make the sale valid, could not have otherwise been taken from them, and without "just compensation therefor." The Constitution declares that "the property of no person shall be taken for public use by the State without just compensation." The act was also void as being contrary to that clause of the Constitution of the United States which prohibits a State from passing any law impairing the obligation of contracts; for it has been held from an early day in Connecticut, that by the law of 1702 the State made a contract with all devisors of lands for pious uses, mentioned in the act, and that all acts of the Legislature affecting such devises in any way contrary to such act are void.

If, then, there was no power to convey, and the devise was upon the condition that the land should not be sold and conveyed, and that condition being broken, the effect of the violation is that the heirs of the devisor may enter, declare the devise forfeited by the breach, and recover the devised property. This, it is submitted, is too familiar a rule of law to need citations.

The defendant in error contends that the land in question having been devised by Stanley, in fee simple, to trustees, for the use and benefit of a religious society, his heirs cannot recover them unless they can show that the devise was upon some condition, or [what is not pretended in this case] that there was some limitation made in the will in their favor. It would not be sufficient for the heirs to make it appear that the lands had been diverted from the use for which they were devised, or that they had not been enjoyed by the beneficiaries in the particular manner described by the testator, for where lands have been devised in charitable use in fee simple, the heir has no more interest in, and no more right to, the lands than he has when they are devised to an individual in fee simple, either directly or in trust. The public have an interest in the extension of public charities, and the beneficiaries have an interest, and if the directions contained in the will of the testator, either as to the manner of enjoyment or the objects which are to be benefited by his bounty are departed from, either the public or the beneficiaries, if they are sufficiently certain and have a sufficiently vested interest, may have a remedy. But the heir has no interest and no right, and therefore can have no remedy. It is necessary, therefore, for the plaintiffs to satisfy the Court that some condition created by the will has been violated, for, unless they can do this, their case has no foundation whatever.

An elementary rule perfectly familiar to the Court is, that it depends upon the intention of the testator, to be gathered from an attentive examination of the will, not to be deduced from particular phrases having a technical import, but an intention to be deduced from an examination of all the provisions of the will which can have any bearing on the matter in question. Another rule equally well settled is, that although the law allows testators to impose conditions subsequent, a breach of which will create a forfeiture, yet the law deems it improbable that testators will do so, and therefore leans against any construction which would result in such a condition. In order to create a condition, the breach of which will work a forfeiture of a vested estate in fee simple, the intention to do so must be clear and unquestionable. The language employed must be such as to leave no doubt of the intention. Courts will not give it that effect by construction. Words of condition will be construed as words of covenant, when such is the apparent intention and meaning of the parties.

But of the legal cause in this case shall be found to be vested in the trustees, that will be decisive of the whole case. It is a rule of law that where Trustees are named in a will, it is not necessary, in order to find the legal estate vested in them, to find a direct devise to them in the will. It is not necessary that the testator should say in terms that he gives the legal estate to the trustees. Nor is it necessary that he should describe the quantity of legal estate which he intends to give them. If trustees are named, the law looks to see what powers are conferred upon them, and what duties are required of them, and then considers that it was the testator's intention to give them such a legal estate as would enable them to execute those powers and discharge those duties. Taking this rule as a guide, and it is submitted that then, looking at the several provisions of the will in this case, relating to this point, it will be found that such powers are conferred upon these parties, and such duties are required of them, as to make it beyond question necessary that they should take a legal estate to enable them to execute those powers and perform those duties. It is insisted also that if there is the condition in the will contended for by the heirs, it is void as being in restraint of alienation. That this is a devise to pious uses makes no difference.

But as to the act of the Legislature, it was competent for the Legislature to authorize the sale; but if it is held otherwise, then the sale was void depending upon the legislation, and there has been, in law, *no sale*, and there is, consequently, no forfeiture, and the legal title is still vested in the Society.

Wm. M. Evarts and C. E. Perkins for plaintiffs in error; B. R. Curtis and Wm. W. McFarland for defendant.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 9.

On motion of Hon. B. C. Cook, A. J. Grover, of Illinois, was admitted an Attorney and Counsellor of this Court. On motion of Hon. Reverdy Johnson, Hon. John A. J. Creswell, of Maryland, was admitted an Attorney and Counsellor of this Court.

No. 85. *Ezra S. Stanley et al., Plaintiff in error, vs. Elizabeth J. Colt.*—The argument of this cause was continued by Mr. McFarland and Hon. B. R. Curtis of counsel for the appellee.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

### Counterfeit Currency—A Very Frank Witness.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT.

Before Judge Smalley.

In the case of the United States *vs.* John Stewart, charged with selling one hundred counterfeit twenty-five-cent notes and fifty fifty-cent notes, knowing the same to be so, on trial yesterday,

*R. M. A. Fenwick* testified that he was an operative in the secret service of the Treasury Department; on the 21st of August last he was introduced to the prisoner at No. 29 Coenties-slip, by "English Tom;" had some talk with him about some counterfeit money; prisoner said witness could have as much as he wanted; told him he wanted some; Stewart then took witness up stairs to a room, the entrance to which was guarded by two doors; after going in and locking the doors inside, prisoner took a large package out of a cupboard and counted out of it $100 in various denominations of counterfeit currency and handed them to the witness, who paid $35 for them; after promising to come back and buy more, witness left; on the 28th of August went to make a descent on the place; saw the prisoner, and tried to buy some counterfeit money: he said he had none; he then arrested him.

*Timothy Welsh*, who was called for the defence, corroborated the evidence for the Government, and added that Fenwick was sober at the time when he first called at Coenties-slip.

*John Meacch* testified that he was in the saloon at the time when Fenwick swore he was there purchasing money from Stewart; at that time Stewart said to him, "Here is a United States detective, let us put a job up for him;" they drank together, then they all went up-stair to the room over the bar-room, where Stewart gave Fenwick a bundle of old paper for $35.

*Cross-examined by Mr. Joseph Bell, Assistant District-Attorney:* Had charge of the gambling-room and lavatable at No. 29 Coenties slip since the 1st of December last; had gambled for a living for fifteen years; eight years ago was arrested on the charge of receiving stolen goods, was tried and convicted and sent to State Prison for five years; after being there for several years, escaped and went into the army; December, 1865, was arrested in Brooklyn for breaking State Prison, and was sentenced again for one year; prior to that arrest and conviction he had been arrested several times and discharged.

Judge Smalley ordered the witness to stand down, and the United States Marshal to take him into custody.

### The Litigation Against Gen. Butler—Actions to Recover Damages for Acts Done by Him Soon After the Capture of New-Orleans—A Number of Suits Commenced in the Supreme Court of this State—Argument on the Motions Made to Remove them to the United States Circuit—Some of Gen. Butler's Orders Read in Court.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—JAN. 10.

Before Justice Barnard.

*Siebrecht* vs. *Benjamin F. Butler*; *Tilden* vs. *The Same, and Alfred Kearney* vs. *The Same.*—In these cases the defendant, Butler, by petition, and on notice to the several plaintiffs, made application yesterday to the Justice of the Supreme Court sitting at Chambers, to have the actions removed to the United States Circuit Court for trial. The application is based mainly on the allegation that the defendant, at the time of the commission of the alleged wrongful acts, was Major-General of the United States Army, in the South western Department, which Department included the City of New-Orleans; that whatever he did or omitted to do was done by virtue of the authority of the President of the United States; and that in all such cases any action for damages resulting from such acts or omissions as are complained of must be tried in a United States Court. A late act of Congress was cited by the counsel for Gen. Butler, to sustain the position that such actions are not liable before a State Court.

The three cases above-named came up separately. Mr. Recorder Hackett appeared for Gen. Butler in the case of Siebrecht *vs.* Butler, and Mr. Trall for defendant (Butler) in the other two actions. Mr. Brown, for plaintiff, Siebrecht, stated the nature of the action. His client was a poor man, and in 1862 he was a resident mechanic of New-Orleans. When the defendant, as military officer, assumed control of New-Orleans, about the 1st of May, 1862, he compelled people of that city to do things much against their will. He not only arrested people without cause, and wrested their property from them, but he forced poor mechanics to labor for him—not for the Government, but for his own individual aggrandizement. That was the case of his client. He was compelled to perform certain services for Butler, such as hanging paintings, putting up statuary, changing window-curtains, and various other services of a similar kind. It was not for the benefit of the Government that those services were rendered, but it was for the defendant's convenience and comfort, at his headquarters in that city. Whatever might be the nature of the other actions pending, it could not be pretended that as to the work done by Siebrecht, he, defendant, was acting under orders of the President, and as a Major-General of the United States Army. It was a simple action of a few hundred dollars, brought by a poor mechanic to recover pay for services performed. There was nothing about it which warranted the motion of defendant being granted, and the action transferred to the United States Circuit Court. It should be tried in the Court where the action was commenced, and at as early a day as possible.

Tilden *vs.* Butler was the next motion argued. It came up on petition in the same way as the preceding one, but the nature of the action is very different.

Mr. Doolittle, for the plaintiff, objected to the cause being transferred from the Supreme Court of this State to the United States Circuit. In order to show the presiding Justice that it was not a case that came within the act of Congress, he would read the complaint.

Mr. Trall objected. He said that in a motion of this nature no complaint or affidavits on the part of the plaintiff were admissible. The Court was to be satisfied of the fact that it was a case within the act of Congress, and this was to be made known by the defendant's petition.

The Court decided to hear the substance of the complaint, when

Mr. Doolittle said that their claim against Gen. Butler was for $70.000 or $80,000. Plaintiff and another, in the Spring of 1862, were the owners of a steamship known as the steamship *Carlotta*. Soon after Butler took possession of New-Orleans, in May or April of that year, he sent for one of the owners of the vessel, and demanded to know how much he would sell her for. He (defendant) wanted her for the use of the United States Government, as he stated. The owner did not wish to sell, but but upon being urged said he would take $60.-000. Immediately after defendant took possession of the vessel in his own name, after saying he would not give the price asked. Defendant run her one voyage, and, said counsel, if the secrets of that voyage could be made public the people of this country would be astonished at the amount of quinine and other medicines and small stores which were run into Dixie through the manouvering of the defendant. It was done in the name of Andrew Jackson Butler, a brother of defendant, and in his name all these transactions were carried on. The defendant in reality paid but $28,500 for the vessel. The defendant, at the close of the war, sold the vessel, then in a dilapidated state, to the Government for $40,000. Counsel said he had an affidavit from one Griffin that defendant's brother, Andrew J. Butler—since deceased—shared with defendant the profits. The vessel was never seized for Government purposes, but it was taken possession of by defendant for his own private purposes and emolument. There had been great rascality practiced, and, said counsel, your Honor will not surely permit this cause to be transferred to a United States Court and the plaintiff thereby be deprived of his right. The defendant was an unmitigated scamp, and such rascality as his ought not to be permitted to succeed.

*Justice Barnard*—You must recollect that you are making reflections on this Court, which claims to be as respectable as any of the United States Courts.

*Mr. Doolittle*—We cast no reflections upon any Court. We simply say the defendant in this action has been guilty of a great wrong to the plaintiff.

On the one voyage made by the vessel a large amount of contraband goods were carried into Secessia, and whenever the trial of this case comes on these facts will be plainly shown.

Mr. Trall in reply said that he disliked these allusions upon Gen. Butler. If every General, whether Brigadier, Major or Lieutenant-General, had been as true to the interests of his country—had been as patriotic and energetic as Gen. Butler was—this country would have been saved millions of money and thousands of lives. It was when Butler entered New-Orleans that the rebels began to understand what they must expect. No man in the Union had done so much as he to make rebels feel the force of the patriotic heart and the iron hand of the Union. He contended, that, however the facts may be, the plaintiff cannot avoid a trial in the United States Courts. It would come to that at last, and it was better for the plaintiff and for all concerned that the action should be at once transferred.

The third case argued was that of Alfred Kearney *vs.* Butler. The plaintiff claims that in the Spring of 1862 he was a merchant, doing a large business in New-Orleans; that when defendant, as commander of that Department, took possession of the city, he took possession of about $70.000 worth of naval stores and other goods belonging to the plaintiff; that defendant pretended to seize them for the use of the United States Government, and that in payment for these goods he was forced to take the sum of $7,988 in Confederate money; that at that time (May 16, 1862,) the circulation of Confederate money had been prohibited in New-Orleans by an order of the defendant.

Mr. Choate, counsel for the plaintiff, read the order of Major-Gen. Butler prohibiting the circulation of Confederate money. He contended that Andrew Jackson Butler, brother of defendant, was in combination with the latter to defraud the citizens of New-Orleans. The brother, he said, was deceased, so that nothing could be brought against him. But his client had been arrested by a squad of soldiers, taken before the defendant, and compelled to give up about $70,000 worth of property, for about $8,000 in worthless Confederate paper.

The decision in these motions was reserved by the Court. Two other motions of a similar nature are to be argued on Friday.

### Important to Expressmen—Responsibility for Baggage.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS—GENERAL TERM.—JAN. 10.

Before Daly, C. J., and Brady and Cardozo, J. J.

*Mary D. Earle* vs. *William H. Cadmus.*—This was an appeal from the decision of the Marine Court on the following state of facts: In September, 1864, Mary D. Earle, the plaintiff, delivered to one Sheldon, agent of Cadmus' Express, a check for a trunk on board the steamboat *Daniel Drew*, to be delivered at her residence. The trunk was never delivered, and plaintiff sued the proprietor of the Express for the value of its contents, consisting of wearing apparel, jewelry, &c. The suit was brought in the Marine Court, and a verdict obtained for the plaintiff, which was appealed from to the General Term of that Court and the judgment affirmed. An appeal was then taken to the Court of Common Pleas, which was argued to-day. The principal point relied on by the appellant was that at the time the expressman received the check for the trunk he gave a receipt therefor, which contained the following printed clause:

"Cadmus' Express will not be liable for merchandise received upon baggage checks, nor for an amount exceeding $50 upon any article, unless specified to in writing upon his card, and the extra risk paid therefor."

Counsel claimed that owners of baggage were bound by this notice, and could not recover more than the $50 therein specified, unless they showed a special contract; in other words, that the printed receipt "amounted to a contract that the defendant should not be liable for an amount exceeding $50 on any article unless specially agreed." The Court refused to sustain this point, and held that the plaintiff was not bound by any general notice of the kind printed on a receipt, without special attention being called to it by the defendant. The receipt might be given to the owner of baggage in the dark, when it would be impossible to read it. It was also held that, by the terms of the above clause in the receipt, the defendant assumed liability to the extent of $50 "upon *any article*," which would include each separate article in the trunk, and could not be held to mean the trunk with all its contents.

Judgment of the Marine Court affirmed.

E. P. Wheeler for appellant; Barrett, Brinsmade & Barrett for respondent.

### Decisions.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—JAN. 10.

By Justice Barnard.

Thomas S. Sanford *vs.* Mary M. Pegram et al.; motion denied. Same *vs.* McMahon et al. Elizabeth J. Henry, &c.; motion denied. Wm. Brice et al. *vs.* Wm. H. Palmer et al.; motion denied with $10 costs. George Kritz et al. *vs.* F. A. Hirch; order for examination was correct. Anais Ponget *vs.* Frederick Fonget; report of Referee confirmed and judgment of divorce granted. C. B. Butts *vs.* S. C. Butts; report of Referee confirmed and judgment of divorce granted. A. M. Haley *vs.* Wm. D. Haley; report of Referee confirmed and judgment of divorce granted; the custody of the child awarded to the plaintiff. Ellen M. Savage *vs.* Chas. C. Savage; report of Referee confirmed and judgment of divorce granted; the custody of the children is awarded to the plaintiff. In the Matter of the Arbitration of Wm. D. Reynolds, &c., *vs.* Chas. H. Reed; allowance of $500 granted.

By Justice Ingraham.

In the Matter of the Petition of J. B. Morrell to set aside assessment for paving Second-avenue; application must be granted. In the Matter of Harden *vs.* Christopher Finn, an attorney; reference ordered.

By Justice Sutherland.

Mary Vacheresse *vs.* Desire Vacheresse; order settled.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

By Justice Monell.

Thomas Roche *vs.* The Bank of Savings of the City of New-York; motion granted and cause referred to a referee. Hugh Topping *vs.* Wm. J. Hocomb; interrogations settled. Jacob Strong *vs.* John F. Betz, et al.; motion for reference granted. Geo. W. Niles *vs.* Henry G. Harrison; order granted.

### Court of General Sessions.

Before Judge Russel.

A JUVENILE FORGER.

John O'Connell pleaded guilty to forgery in the third degree. On the 26th of December he presented a forged check at the office of Trevor & Colgate, No. 47 Wall-street, representing $395 62, being an ostensible equivalent for $300 in gold coin. The check was upon the Tradesmen's National Bank. The prisoner being only fifteen years old, was sent to the House of Refuge.

A VIOLENT THIEF.

Henry Muller, indicted for robbery in the first degree, pleaded guilty to grand larceny. It appeared that Mr. Richard Jones, of No. 193 Ninth-street, was, on the night of the 27th of December, in a lager-beer saloon in Forsyth-street, near Houston, and that when he came out he was assailed by the prisoner, who took from him $30. Muller was sent to the State Prison for three years.

A BRACE OF BURGLARS.

John McKeon and John Adams, jointly indicted on a charge of burglary in the third degree, were arraigned, when McKeon pleaded guilty of an attempt. Adams was tried and convicted or an attempt. They attempted to break into the liquor-store of Arthur McCool, No. 104 Avenue A, in which were articles and money of the value of $950. Remanded for sentence.

AN OLD AND PRACTICED HAND.

Henry Vincent has grown gray in crime. He was indicted for forgery in the third degree, and he pleaded guilty in order to induce the Court to be lenient with him. On the 6th of December he presented himself at the New-York County National Bank, corner of Fourteenth-street and Eighth-avenue, and there offered a check of the Wisconsin Marine and Fire Insurance Company's Bank, Milwaukee, having the name of "C. B. Hall" indorsed thereon, under date of Aug. 9, the sum being $1,494. Vincent, through his counsel, obtained time to show good character. He has been two terms, of two years' each, in the State Prison, and was sent there for five years, but was released again on account of some error in the conduct of his trial. He used to be known about the Police Courts as an agent for procuring bail, but latterly he has become demoralized, and is not quite so sharp as he used to be. He was remanded to give him an opportunity of proving good character.

ANOTHER BURGLAR.

Thomas Whelan pleaded guilty to burglary in the third degree, having on the night of the 20th of December broken into the liquor store of Carsten Offleman, No. 258 Greenwich-street, and stolen therefrom money, &c., to the value of $19. He was sent to the State Prison for three years.

ONE WIFE TOO MANY.

Michael Bettner, indicted for bigamy, was tried and convicted. He became the husband of Catharina Burhardt on the 26th of December, 1856. Then he married again to Catharina Schmidt, on the 27th of December, 1865. He was remanded for sentence.

STOLE AN OVERCOAT.

John Caffrey, indicted for grand larceny, was tried and convicted. On the 4th of January he stole an overcoat of the value of $50 from Owen D. Pomeroy, of No. 81 Macdougal-street. He was sent to State Prison for five years.

TRIED AND ACQUITTED.

Thomas Kramer, indicted for grand larceny, on the charge of stealing a horse worth $140 from William Taussig, No. 210 Fulton-street, on the 10th of June last, was tried and acquitted.

Charles Wilson, indicted for robbery in the first degree, on the charge of having on the 4th of November knocked down John O'Neil, of Brooklyn, in an oyster saloon, corner of Rector and Greenwich streets, and taking from him $137, was tried and acquitted.

A CHICKEN COME BACK TO ROOST.

It will be seen by reference to the calendar for today that Charles Martin, who was discharged from the custody of the Court of General Sessions, on Wednesday, as reported in yesterday's TIMES, is to be tried for an offence committed immediately after his discharge. Quick work that, to be discharged, to commit another offence, be arrested, committed, indicted and placed on the calendar for trial, all within twenty-four hours.

Mr. Robert C. Hutchings, Assistant District-Attorney, appeared for the people.

The following is the

CALENDAR FOR TO-DAY.

The People *vs.* Wm. T. Annete, burglary third degree.

The People *vs.* John Devine, burglary third degree.

The People *vs.* Frederick Schryber, grand larceny.

The People *vs.* John Hackett, grand larceny.

The People *vs.* George Bauman, petty larceny.

The People *vs.* William Lounsberg and Michael Kavanagh, grand larceny.

The People *vs.* Bernard Lewis, receiving stolen goods.

The People *vs.* Wolf Holsvaasser, receiving stolen goods.

The People *vs.* Peter Turner, violating Health Act.

The People *vs.* Terence Branigan, illegal voting.

The People *vs.* Henry Bennett, illegal voting.

The People *vs.* Henry Jackson, illegal voting.

The People *vs.* Thomas Dannigar, violating Barrel Act.

The People *vs.* Samuel Jackson, false pretences, two cases.

The People *vs.* Elizabeth Wesley, false pretences.

The People *vs.* Charles Martin, larceny from the person.

The People *vs.* George Williams and Peter Clark, felonious assault and battery.

The People *vs.* Peter Clark and George Williams, grand larceny of money.

### Cruelty to Animals—A Fight for a Husband—A Homeless Boy.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS.

Before Justice Dowling.

Forty-seven cases were disposed of in the Court of Special Sessions yesterday. Of these 26 were for petit larceny, 10 for assault and battery, 4 for keeping disorderly houses, 1 for indecent assault, 1 for assault with intent to steal, 2 for cruelty to animals, and 3 suspended cases.

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

James Hanna, a truck-driver, was charged with cruelty to a horse. While driving a heavy load through the streets, his horse gave out and laid down. Hanna seeing that the animal had set put upon that journey from which old horses never return, coolly abandoned the animal in the street, leaving him to suffer from hunger and cold till death or the Police relieved him. The prisoner was fined $25.

William H. Fowler, a stage-driver, was fined $10 for driving an exceedingly lame horse through Broadway.

ONE WIFE TOO MANY.

The husband of Sarah Hilterman, not relishing quite so much flesh and temper as his spouse possesses, left her bed and board, taking with him the solitary pledge of affection with which she had honored him. With his child he found refuge in the boarding-house of Martha Bridges, in West Houston-street. Mrs. Hilterman says he not only took board there, but that he adopted the landlady as his wife. At any rate, she went there and took the child away, and forbade Mrs. Bridges harboring her lord. Subsequently she went to the house, and without the quarrel which is usually the preliminary to a fight between women, she drew an ugly-looking dirk-knife and cut Mrs. Bridges in the side. That lady ran into the street, crying "Murder, arson, burglary, watch," &c., and was pursued by the indignant but lawful spouse of the man in dispute, who threatened to scalp the flying and frightened Bridges, provided she caught her. A Policeman put an end to the exciting race by arresting Mrs. Hilterman and taking the knife from her. She was tried for the assault yesterday, and sentenced to the Penitentiary for two months.

TOO FAMILIAR.

Officer Waldron arrested John W. Meyers for being too familiar with ladies in Broadway. The officer watched the young man for some time, and observed that when well-dressed ladies came along he would run against them or follow them closely, evidently striving to pick their pockets. Waldron finally thought he had seen enough to warrant his arresting Meyers, and he accordingly did so, charging him with attempting to steal. The evidence, however, was not sufficient to warrant a conviction, and the prisoner was discharged.

NO HOME.

John Morrissey, a boy just arrived in the City from a country town on Long Island, was charged with stealing a coat from the front of a store in Chatham-street. There was no doubt of his guilt. The boy said he had neither home nor friends, his mother being dead and his father having abandoned him. He had always worked on a farm, and having been thrown out of employment during the Winter had come to New-York for work. Like thousands of others who flock to this City, he could find nothing to do, and was forced to steal. He possesses a handsome, honest face, and would doubtless grow up to be an industrious citizen if he had the opportunity. He was sent to the House of Refuge.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

*Petit Larceny.*—Jacob Shafferly, Penitentiary six months; Richard Clark, six months; George Johnson, colored, three months; Ann Farrel, four months; Mary Ann Sharkey, three months; Mary Johnson, three months; James Robinson, House of Refuge; William Smith, four months.

## MONETARY AFFAIRS.

**Sales at the Stock Exchange—JAN. 10, 1867.**

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| $5,000 U. S. 5s, '74 | R. 102 | 100 N. Y. Cen | 110 |
| 1,000 U. S. 6s, '81 | C. 108 | 200 do | 109⅞ |
| 3,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20s, C. '62 | 107 | 800 do | 109⅞ |
| 1,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20s, R. '64 | 106 | 100 do | 109⅞ |
| 4,500 do | 105½ | 800 do | 109⅜ |
| 2,500 U. S. 6s, 5-20s, R. '65 | 104¼ | 700 do | 109⅞ |
| 6,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20s, C. '65 | 105¼ | 100 do | 110¼ |
| 2,000 do | 105¼ | 500 do | 110¼ |
| 96,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20s, C. '65 New issue | 103½ | 900 do | 110 |
| | 103½ | 100 do | 110¼ |
| 3,200 do | 103⅝ | 2,500 Erie | 63⅞ |
| 5,000 N. Y. St. 7s, Bounty Loan | Reg. 105½ | 1000 do | 63⅞ |
| 5,000 Tr. Notes, 1-10s | First Ser. 104½ | 1500 do | 64 |
| 10,000 do | 2d Ser. 104½ | 100 do | 64⅛ |
| 1,000 Brooklyn City 6s, 1870 | 85 | 50 do | 64 |
| 7,000 Tenn. St. 6s, new | 66 | 200 Hud. R. R. | 131 |
| 3,000 Mo. St. 6s | 95 | 14 Tol., W. & W | 42 |
| 5,000 do | 94⅜ | 2,500 Reading R | 104⅜ |
| 3,500 N. Y. St. 6s, '73 | 99 | 5000 do | 104⅜ |
| 10,000 Ohio & M. Cer | 27 | 3000 do | 104⅜ |
| 20,000 do | 26⅞ | 1200 do | 104⅜ |
| 2,000 Gt. W. n. 2d M | 70 | 300 M. S. & N. I. R. | 80 |
| 1,000 To. & W. 1st M. Ex | 94 | 100 do | 80¼ |
| 2,000 Mil. & St. P. 2d M. | 82 | 500 do | 79⅜ |
| 26,000 C. & R. I. & P. 7s | 92 | 1400 do | 80 |
| 2,000 Mor. & Essex 1st | 90 | 100 Ill. Cen. R | 118 |
| 3,000 Pitts. F. W. & C. 2d | 95 | 100 do | 118⅛ |
| 25 Phœnix Bank | 107 | 400 do | 118⅛ |
| 19 Continental Bank | 101¼ | 100 Cleve. & Pitts | 88 |
| 10 Con. N. Bank | 111⅝ | 200 do | 89 |
| 40 Merchants' Bank | 111 | 1800 do | 89⅛ |
| 86 Fourth N. Bk | 105½ | 600 do | 89 |
| 10 Commb. Coal. Pr | 90¾ | 400 do | 89½ |
| 25 do | 80 | 200 do | 89⅝ |
| 81 Del. & Hud. C | 158 | 200 do | 89⅜ |
| 400 Amer. Coal | 64 | 200 Chic. & N. W. | 42 |
| 1200 West. U. Tel | 45⅝ | 100 do | 42½ |
| 300 Cal. & Tex. C | 13½ | 1200 do | 42½ |
| 200 Mariposa Pr | 30½ | 600 do | 42⅝ |
| 100 do | 30⅜ | 200 do | 42½ |
| 100 do | 30⅝ | 500 do | 42⅝ |
| 200 At. Mail S. Co | 105 | 400 do | 42⅝ |
| 4 Am. Ex. Co | 75 | 500 do | 42½ |
| 10 U. S. Ex. Co | 68 | 40 do | 41¼ |
| 200 Hirsch & Co | 9 | 100 Chic. & N. W. Pr | 80½ |
| 100 Boston W. P | 29 | 200 do | 80⅜ |
| 100 do | 29⅜ | 600 do | 80½ |
| 200 do | 29⅜ | 500 Chic. & R. I. | 102½ |
| 200 do | 29⅜ | 

# The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 1867.


### Amusements this Evening.

NEW-YORK THEATRE.
Broadway, near 8th-st.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, Parisian Fancy Spectacle, CENDRILLON. Characters by Miss Eliza Newton, Mrs. W. Gomersal, Mrs. M. Wilkins, Miss S. Cole, Miss Alicia Mandeville, Miss S. A. Hinckley, Miss Annie Yeaman, Mrs. H. Band, &c.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, "OURS." Characters by Messrs. Lester Wallack, John Gilbert, Charles Fisher, Miss Mary Gannon, Madeline Henriques, Fanny Morant, &c.

WINTER GARDEN.
Broadway, between Bleecker and Amity sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, ROMEO AND JULIET. Characters by Edwin Booth, Mme. Methua Lefebre, Messrs. Barton Hill, Davidge, Letingwell, Burroughs, Oliver, Donaldson, Andrews, Hinton, Miss Andrews, &c.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7½ o'clock, THE LONG STRIKE. Characters by Messrs. Charles Vandenhoff, Stoddart, J. T. Ward, J. M. Ward and Miss Kate Newton.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, between Prince and Houston sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7½ o'clock, an original and grand spectacular Drama, entitled THE BLACK CROOK.

FOX'S OLD BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, between Bayard and Canal sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7 o'clock, ST. MARY'S EVE, THE COLLEEN BAWN, and THE SPIRIT OF JACK SHEPPARD.

GERMAN THALIA THEATRE.
No. 514 Broadway, opposite St. Nicholas Hotel.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7½ o'clock, EGMONT. Mr. Bogumil Dawison as the DUKE OF ALBA.

BARNUM'S NEW MUSEUM.
Broadway, between Spring and Prince sts.
THIS AFTERNOON at 2, and EVENING at 7½, UNCLE TOM'S CABIN. A LARGE COLLECTION OF LIVING WILD ANIMALS. GORDON CUMMING'S COLLECTION. Dwarf, Fat Boy, &c. 500 Curiosities.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.
14th-st., opposite Academy of Music.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, Robert Stickney, Mlle. DeBarg and El Nino Emile. The NEW-YORK CIRCUS TROUPE.

FIFTH-AVENUE OPERA HOUSE.
Nos. 2 and 4 West 24th-st
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, BUDWORTH'S MINSTRELS. Songs, Dances, Burlesques, &c. NEW-YEAR'S CALLS.

KELLY & LEON'S MINSTRELS,
No. 720 Broadway.
THIS EVENING—SCHMIDT WITH A Y, LUCREZIA BORGIA, IN 27,000, &c., SONGS, DANCES, BURLESQUES, &c. NEW-YEAR'S CALLS.

DODWORTH'S HALL,
Broadway, opposite 13th-street.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, M. HARTZ, THE ILLUSIONIST. MIRACULOUS ILLUSIONS.


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## NEWS OF THE DAY.

### EUROPE.

We have dispatches to last evening by Ocean Telegraph.

The English Reform leaders have given up the proposed scheme of presenting monster petitions to Parliament.

The London *Times* deprecates the proposed impeachment of President JOHNSON, and points out some of the dangers that may follow such a proceeding.

Count BISMARCK has issued a circular to the representatives of Prussia at foreign Courts, pointing out the friendly relations of Prussia with all foreign Powers, and declaring that he will devote himself to the consolidation of Germany.

It is said that Italy is willing to restore the Church property seized by the State, for a money consideration.

The cause of the Greeks of the Mediterranean islands is said to be brightening.

The present Turkish Minister at Florence is to be transferred to Washington.

The forty-third annual meeting of the New-York Bible Society was held last evening, and officers and managers elected for the next year.

Hon. E. G. SQUIER addressed the Historical Society last evening, on the subject of "Cuzco, the City of the Sun, or Capital of the Inca Empire."

An interesting meeting of the American Institute Polytechnic Club was held last evening, at which Prof. GRIMES stated his new theory of the Planetary System.

### CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, the House bill fixing the time for the regular meetings of Congress, was taken up and passed—yeas 26 nays 7. It provides that in addition to the regular times of meeting of Congress, there shall be a meeting of the Fortieth Congress of the United States, and of each succeeding Congress thereafter, at 12 o'clock M., on the 4th day of March, the day on which the term begins, for which the Congress is elected, except that when the 4th of March occurs on Sunday, then the meeting shall take place at the same hour on the next succeeding day. No person who was a member of the previous Congress shall receive any compensation as mileage for going to or returning from the additional session. Mr. WADE called up the bill to amend the organic acts of the Territories of the United States by prohibiting the denial of civil or political rights on account of color, and then presented a substitute, which was passed—yeas 24, nays 9. The bill provides that there shall be no denial of the elective franchise in any of the Territories of the United States to any citizen on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude. The Senate bill to regulate the tenure of office was then taken up.

In the House, Mr. COOPER presented the credentials of A. M. BRANCH, as Representative from the Sixth Congressional District of Texas, and THOS. J. FOSTER, as Representative from the Third Congressional District of Alabama, which were referred to the Committee on Reconstruction. The bill declaring Clinton Bridge across the Mississippi River at Clinton, Iowa, a post road was then taken up, and after some debate was passed, yeas 101, nays 43. The Senate amendment to the bill to fix the time for the regular meeting of Congress was concurred in, and the bill goes to the President. The Senate amendments to the bill to regulate the franchise in the Territories were also concurred in. The Nebraska Bill occupied the remainder of the session, but the call for the previous question was not sustained. The bill will come up to-day as unfinished business.

The telegraph yesterday reported the election of Hon. CHARLES D. DRAKE, of Missouri, to the United States Senate. The vote alluded to was probably cast in the Republican caucus, and not in the Legislature, as the election, by the new law, takes place on Tuesday next.

### STATE LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate yesterday, a bill was noticed making it a misdemeanor to slaughter animals intended for human food in any other than the most expeditious and merciful manner known to science or art. Also, to prevent the overcrowding of omnibuses, stages or horse cars. This bill provides that no omnibus or stage, drawn by two horses, shall carry more than twelve passengers, that no car, drawn by two horses, shall carry more than twenty-four passengers, and where there is an elevation of more than one foot to fifteen, on any roads, an additional force shall be attached to the car. Also, for an underground railroad, to run from Bowling Green to Fourteenth-street, under Union-square, and thence by any route to any point on the Hudson River or Harlem Railroads.

In the Assembly Mr. BRICE, from the Committee on Federal Relations, reported concurrent resolutions ratifying the Constitutional Amendment. The resolutions were adopted by seventy-six to forty; all the Republicans voting in the affirmative; all the Democrats in the negative. A motion to reconsider was carried, and after some discussion the resolutions ratifying the Amendment were again adopted by seventy to thirty-five.

### GENERAL NEWS.

A contract has recently been concluded between the Kingdom of Hawaii and the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, by which that Government agrees to exempt the ships of the Company from the payment of all port dues and compulsory pilotage, to grant them free wharfage and water from the Government pipes, agrees to build a wharf with three hundred and sixty feet frontage on the water front of Honolulu, to be used free of charge by the Company, and grants a water lot of two hundred and forty by three hundred and sixty feet. The principal condition required is to carry the Hawaii mail at the present postage rates. The contract is for thirty years, and is made transferable and renewable.

JOHN VAN HORN, a member of the Board of Education of Chicago, and an Ex-Alderman, has been arrested in that City upon a charge of attempting to murder his wife. He had been maltreating one of his children, who fled to the store of a neighbor. The enraged man pursued her, followed by his wife, who attempted to protect the child, when he drew a revolver, placed the muzzle beneath his wife's ear and fired, the ball passing through the lady's cheek. He then attempted to blow his own brains out, but was seized and secured. It is thought his wife will recover. Mr. VAN HORN is sixty-five years of age, and his wife but thirty-six.

The latest news from Chili states that the Chilians have refused the proposal of mediation by England and France in the Spanish question as humiliating to them; at any rate it is certain they have not accepted it, as is supposed in England. President PEZET, of Peru, and his Cabinet, have been sentenced to fifteen years banishment as traitors, and mulcted in a fine of fifty per cent. of the $3,000,000 paid to the Spanish Minister in 1865.

A bill has been introduced in the New-Jersey Legislature to incorporate the Newark, Bloomfield and Montclair Horse-car Railroad Company. The capital stock is to be $100,000, to be divided into $50 shares. The fares are limited to five cents per mile, and freights twenty-five cents per ton. The road must be in operation in three years, and the Company may connect with any other railroad in the State.

The New-Orleans *Crescent* says that several of the Vicksburgh merchants made up a purse of $100 for the men of the Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, as a testimonial of gratitude for the great service rendered by that command at the late disastrous fire. The gallant Twenty-fourth immediately turned the amount over to the Mayor for the relief of the sufferers.

Returns received at the office of the Secretary of State show that during last year there were two hundred and sixty-five bears killed in the State of Maine. In Penobscot County alone there were one hundred and nine killed, and in the town of Lincoln forty-five. The returns show that there were only four wolves killed in the entire State during the year.

The San Francisco *Times* states that the return of Major-Gen. EDWARD MCCOOK, United States Minister to the Sandwich Islands, who left San Francisco by steamer for the East on the 19th ult., and arrived at this port yesterday, was induced solely by the precarious state of his wife's health, and not by any diplomatic considerations whatever.

The Boston *Journal* states that the American colony at Jaffa is discouraged. They have been deceived by their leaders; many have died, others are sick, and they beg for a man-of-war to take them home. Meanwhile the Porte has entered a protest against the whole project of an American colony in Palestine.

A college for young colored men has been established at Washington, named "Howard University." It has the three departments of law, medicine and theology. $15,000 have been raised for the erection of a building, which is intended to accommodate 1,000 students; 400 are now ready to enter.

A dispatch received in this City from Rolla, Mo., states that the rails on the Southwest Pacific Railroad, between that point and the Gasconade River, are being rapidly laid down.

### LOCAL NEWS.

In the Supreme Court Circuit, Part II., held by Justice PECKHAM, no causes were ready for trial yesterday. The Justice said that the Bar should understand that when a cause was set down for a particular day it must be tried. Counsel must not think, in the present crowded condition of the calendar, that after agreeing upon a particular time for trial their causes would be put off from day to day. As a warning and an earnest of what he would do, the Justice said he would impose the full costs of the term in all cases postponed, whether the delay was on the motion of the plaintiff or the defendant. This will no doubt have the effect to bring the dilatory members of the Bar to their senses.

The Board of Councilmen met at 2 P. M. yesterday, Mr. BRINKMAN in the chair. It was evident from the first that a row was imminent, and before the Board had been in session many minutes Councilman LONG, without any special provocation, hurled an inkstand at the President. A general row followed, and was ended by the entry of two policemen, who arrested President BRINAMAN and his friend, Mr. CHARLES MCCLENACHAN, on complaint of Mr. LONG, who charged them with carrying concealed weapons. They were taken before Mayor HOFFMAN, who discharged them on their own recognizances.

Several motions of interest were heard yesterday in the Supreme Court General Term, before Justice BARNARD. About half a dozen actions have recently been commenced in this Court against Gen. BUTLER, for alleged damages sustained in consequence of the acts of the General soon after he, as Commander of that Department, took possession of New Orleans, in the Spring of 1862. The defendant now wishes to have the suits transferred to the United States Courts for trial, in pursuance of an act of Congress, and for this purpose he makes the motions. The decision of the court is reserved.

Justice HOGAN held an examination yesterday in the case of W. C. WILLIAMS, who is accused of forging the name of SMITH & Co., of No. 60 Catharine-street, to a check for $3,000 on the Central National Bank, in addition to the charge of complicity in the alleged swindles of FOLGER & IBBS. The complainant offered a very inconsistent course of evidence, contradicting himself several times. The further hearing was postponed.

In the Court of General Sessions, yesterday, nine cases were disposed of. HENRY VINCENT, an old State Prison inmate, pleaded guilty to forgery, and asked time to prove good character; MICHAEL BETTNER was convicted of bigamy; JOHN CAFFREY, an overcoat thief, was sent to the State Prison for five years, and THOMAS WHELAN, a burglar, was sent to the State Prison for three years.

At the meeting of the Board of Health yesterday, a communication was read relative to some cellars of tenement-houses in Washington-street, which are submerged by the flow of the tide. A resolution offered in the Assembly relative to prostitution in New-York was referred to the Sanitary Committee.

An interesting case now before the United States Supreme Court, involving the question whether, in the absence of express provision in the will, lands devised to pious uses can be sold by the beneficiary without working a forfeiture, and many other important questions of a similar nature, will be found in the law column.

Decrees of divorce have just been granted by the Supreme Court in the actions entitled, Anna Ponget *vs.* Frederick Ponget, Asa R. Butts *vs.* S. C. Butts, A. M. Haly *vs.* Wm. D. Haly and Ellen M. Savage *vs.* Chas. C. Savage. In the cases of HALY and SAVAGE, the custody of the children is awarded to the plaintiff.

During the past year 2,178 new buildings have been erected in the City of Brooklyn, of which 1,962 were dwelling-houses, 116 factories, 13 storehouses, 29 distilleries, 3 churches and 52 for miscellaneous purposes.

A very light business was reported yesterday in most kinds of domestic produce and foreign merchandise, prices of which favored buyers, influenced by the depression in gold and the stringency in money. The freight engagements were light.

AN INTERESTING FERRY DECISION.—It is a singular fact that while numbers of persons lose their lives annually for want of safeguards on ferry-boats and landings, there are so few instances in which the companies are sued for damages by interested survivors. The decision which we reported yesterday, in connection with the Twenty-third-street Ferry, may be worth remembering in connection with the subject. The loss was not of human life, but of a horse, owing to the want of proper safeguards to prevent vehicles falling from a slippery deck. But in giving his decision, which was to affirm a previous verdict, Judge BRADY states distinctly the law—it is the duty of every Ferry Company to have all suitable and requisite accommodations, for entering upon, safe transportation while on board, and departure from the boats, and, of course, failing these accommodations, the companies are liable to be sued for damages. How far these conditions are complied with or not is well known, and it cannot be too often pointed out that there may be, if not a remedy, at least some compensation, which those who have courage to appeal to the Courts may obtain.

### Public Opinion on the Impeachment Question.

If the opinion is anywhere held that the Union Party in the country demand the impeachment of President JOHNSON, a reference to other columns of to-day's TIMES will furnish a corrective. From the columns of our Republican cotemporaries we have gathered proofs, not only that impeachment is not demanded, but that the propositions pointing to that end are deprecated as inexpedient, both in a national and a party sense.

This view in no case proceeds from any lingering liking for the President or his policy. The party are a unit in reference to the duty of Congress to push forward its measures of reconstruction, regardless of the plans of the President; and in reference also to the hopelessness of all attempts to bring Mr. JOHNSON and Congress into harmony. The feeling prevails, however, that the Union strength in the Capitol is sufficient for the accomplishment of the cherished purposes of the party, and that there is therefore no necessity for waging war upon the Executive. Practically, in all that pertains to the *status* of the South and its restoration to the Union, he is powerless; and to make him the victim of Congressional authority would be to call forth a large amount of feeling in his behalf, and to invest him with a capacity for mischief which he can in no other way obtain. As matters stand, he can do very little in any respect. His vetoes effect nothing. His identification with the Democratic Party severs the last bond of sympathy with the Unionists who elected him. And for these and kindred reasons, the Republican Press—or so much of it as has yet been heard from on the subject—discountenances the movement for impeachment as equally unnecessary and unwise.

A just estimate of the gravity of the proceeding and the unseemly spirit in which it was inaugurated is further observable. The propriety of impeachment, in certain circumstances, is conceded, and the ability of the country to endure the strain is affirmed with a positiveness that implies no lack of confidence. But it is at the best a serious affair, only to be begun under the pressure of imperious necessity. The strain upon our institutions, our finances, and our credit might not be unbearable, but it would be sufficiently serious to suggest caution in the inception and management of the proceeding. The judgment of the country should be previously convinced. The pride of the American people in the integrity of their institutions and the honor of their rulers should be shown to require the trial. And the temper and motives of the accusers, and the impartiality of the judges, should not be open to cavil. The opinion appears to exist that these conditions have been imperfectly complied with. The discussion in the caucus, and the sayings of Mr. ASHLEY in the House, indicate more of partisanship than of calmness, dignity and judicial firmness. The idea generated is that for partisan reasons the President must be removed—not that the honor of the nation, and the loyalty and purity of the Government, render necessary his trial and punishment. The organs of Republican opinion are evidently apprehensive of the danger which illjudged zeal may inflict upon the party; and hence their disapproval of the manner in which the question was mooted by Mr. ASHLEY and his friends.

Having been introduced in a form that rendered some action unavoidable, the reference of the subject to the Judiciary Committee is everywhere recognized as the proper course. It removes the subject from the arena of partisan strife. It confides the task of preliminary investigation to a body whose leading members—whatever be their personal predilections—are not likely to misinterpret facts, or to miscalculate their weight at a formal trial. Moreover, it seems to dispose of the whole subject, at any rate for the session. The Committee will conduct their inquiry, of course, and they will in due season report. But there is little probability of more being done, in the House or Senate, while the present Congress lasts. And meanwhile public opinion, and the opinion of the party, will have an opportunity of making itself understood. It, as we believe, and as our Republican cotemporaries assert, the impeachment project conflicts with the views and desires of the people, the period consumed by the preliminary inquiry will suffice to rectify the misapprehension under which their representatives have labored.

The inexpediency of the movement is declared on yet other grounds. Without entering minutely into the minor shades of difference in the statements of our cotemporaries touching impeachment, it will be found that they concur in reminding Congress of the urgent need that exists for practical legislation before the 4th of March. In the absence of legitimate work, buncombe and partisanship might be indulged in with comparative impunity. But the condition of the country is critical. Its industry, its trade, its finance, are so disorganized that to neglect them is to invite disaster, distress and embarrassment. Extreme sensitiveness and anxiety are experienced with regard to the causes of the depression: and the conviction is universal that Congress ought not to delay measures of relief. The people care less for partisanship just now than for relief from taxation. They are not willing that the material industry should be crushed under a load of duties and taxes, or the national credit imperiled by an unsound and neglected currency. And the Union Party, through its Press, evinces its sense of the responsibility which, at such a time, rests upon those whom it has sent to Washington.

A WORD TO THE FENIANS.—It is pretty generally conceded that the Fenian excitement is over, and that the whole affair has come to an inglorious end. There are any supporters of Fenianism who have been sincere all along, but whose motives have been misconstrued, owing to the conduct of their dishonest leaders. The best thing would be at once and candidly to own a failure, and to cease further efforts to keep alive a hopeless agitation. To do so would be at once sensible and dignified, and would go far to remove the stigma upon the good sense of a class of Irish Liberals which the folly, or worse, of misguided and designing men has cast upon it. Nothing can ever restore the faith of the rank and file in their leaders, and the effort may as well be relinquished at once.

### The Senatorial Question, Here and Elswhere—With a Few Suggestions.

The elections that come off at this time for Senators in New-York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, and other States, are inducing contests of more than ordinary intensity. It exhibits the remarkable manner in which the Republican Party continues to maintain its ascendancy throughout the country—that in none of these great States is any other than a Republican regarded as having even a chance of success. No Democrat is spoken of anywhere, or if anywhere a Democrat is spoken of, or nominated, it is merely with the object of keeping up the party forms and organization, and not with the least idea of his election. In this State CONKLING, HARRIS and DAVIS are the candidates; in Pennsylvania, CAMERON, CURTIN and THAD. STEVENS; in Illinois, TRUMBULL, OGLESBY and PALMER—all pronounced Republicans, and all, we may say, of one school of Republicanism. In Pennsylvania, CAMERON may have been at times suspected of being slightly tainted with what was once termed Conservatism; in Illinois, TRUMBULL is accused of having given a partial approval to the recent decision of the Supreme Court in the conspiracy cases; and in this State, HARRIS was for a while charged with something like weakness in the political knees. But as the time of election approaches, and the temper and purpose of the various State Legislatures are felt, the Senatorial candidates make haste to plant themselves on the most advanced ground of the party. They see that there is no hope for them otherwise, and that the field might as well be at once given up to Messrs. STEVENS, OGLESBY and CONKLING, unless they are in the forefront with these parties, politically, and can offer still farther inducements.

It is neither to be expected nor desired that a political party will overlook party considerations in the matter of appointments or elections to office. But the Republicans are fortunate in this State, and in the other States we have mentioned, in that they have no rivalry at this time which compels the selection of any particular candidate on purely partisan grounds, and have thus the opportunity to make personal character, ability and fitness the controlling considerations in their choice of those who shall fill the high position of United States Senator. It being found that a candidate is up to the mark in his ideas of constitutional freedom and his views of public policy, there are then questions of fitness derived from his character, traits of interest, knowledge, experience, and so forth.

It may seem absurd to say, yet in view of some of these Senatorial elections it is necessary to say it, that no man is fit to be a candidate who is not of unimpeachable integrity. A man whose antecedents give reason to believe that he will make a corrupt use of his office, or who will use corrupt means to obtain it, is utterly unfit to be a Senator, and will assuredly, sooner or later, bring disgrace on the party which elected him. It needs but to call in mind the nature of a Senator's duties, the responsibilities of his situation, and the temptations that are before him, to see the importance of this point.

Vacillation of mind, uncertainty of purpose, indecision, changeableness, unreliability, ought to disqualify any man for such a position as that of Senator. Before an individual is spoken of for such a place he should have had the opportunity to mature his convictions as to general principles, and to establish some better rule for his treatment of the questions of the hour than that which is found in his own momentary whims, interests or passions. The Constitutional provision that no man should be a Senator under forty years of age had, doubtless, some reference to this matter; but we have seen in these days that a man may be far past forty years without having established any guiding rule for his life or action.

A violent man, a narrow-minded, one-sided ultraist, a fierce, sanguinary, revengeful person, should never be spoken of as a candidate for the Senate. In the Senate, especially, we should have men of calm, dispassionate, judicial temper of mind, of liberal and comprehensive views, and of a knowledge that precludes fanaticism. Beside the profound questions now before the country, there are always arising great questions in political economy and in public policy which must be treated in other than a narrow-minded, dogmatic and passionate way, if we would secure the continued prosperity of the country.

We would suggest, too, with other considerations, that a man's inherent intellectual power and greatness is not a matter without importance in this connection. It does add to a man's fitness for the Senate if he possess great mental calibre as well as the Senatorial virtues. We may not be able, in all cases, to lay our hands upon a Webster or a Clay, but neither are we under the necessity of taking those who are at the other extremity of the intellectual scale.

Those who imagine these suggestions to be commonplace and altogether unnecessary, have probably not given a very wide or intelligent study to the actual bearings of the subject at this time.

### Taxes on City Railroads.

We reprinted yesterday an article from *Frank Leslie's Illustrated Paper*, which treats this subject from a novel point of view. It so happens that we are able to enforce the arguments of our cotemporary by reference to some official returns which have lately come before us. These are the amount of the tax of one-eighth of a cent paid to Government by four of the principal City railroads, and the figures show that during the twenty-nine months the tax has been levied the sum of $154,233 38 has been paid. Probably we shall not be much in error in assuming that these returns respresent two-thirds of all the payments made, which will thus be in the aggregate about $209,000. The point made in the article we allude to is that this sum paid to the Government represents a total of seven times the amount—namely, $1,463,000 taken during this period out of the pockets of the public; that is, under pretence of paying one-eighth of a cent to the public Treasury, amounting to $209,000, the railway companies have put $1,463,000 into their own pockets, for which they ought to be very thankful, not alone to a beneficent Government, but to an unresisting and patient public.

There are very strong reasons why at least a portion of the annual sum of $600,000 (which is the average annual rate of the above sum) should go to swell the internal revenue, and not the profits of the company. Experience has shown that it is a tax very easily collected, and one which the public do not find oppressive. The resistance that has been spasmodically made against the levying of seven-eighths of a cent extra by the companies has arisen more from the sense of the injustice of the payment extorted than from the burden of the amount. When it is known that the payment of the extra cent is for the benefit of the Government, we are sure all opposition to it will cease, and, like the additional cent on a box of matches, it will be cheerfully paid.

This addition to the revenue would enable Government to remit some taxes which are now almost universally felt as grievances. We will only instance that on watches; but there are many others which the proposed revision of the tariff will bring to light as not worth the difficulty and expense of collecting. The article we have reprinted argues the various points suggested by the proposed amendment, and by the light of the figures we have given is worthy of the consideration of the Treasury.

### Our Army—The Provost-Marshal-General's Report.

The final report made to the Secretary of War by JAMES B. FRY, Provost-Marshal-General, is printed as one of the War Department documents of 1866. The report is in two volumes, and shows the operation of the Provost-Marshal-General's Bureau from its organization in March, 1863, to March, 1866, the Bureau being terminated by law Aug. 28, 1866. The subjects embraced in the report are subdivided into twelve parts, and form a most valuable body of statistics, which, however, are embraced in so many different subdivisions and tables that we shall only be able to jot down a few interesting data as we look through the report. On the 1st day of January, 1861, the Regular Army was composed of 727 commissioned officers present for duty, 371 absent, and 13,930 enlisted men present and 1,374 absent, making a total of 16,402 officers and men. This number between Jan. 1, 1861, and Jan. 1, 1862, was reduced, in addition to ordinary casualties, by the resignation and desertion of 313 commissioned officers who joined the rebellion. Another war, however, would not find us thus unprepared, as the minimum strength of the army according to the present law is 54,302, rank and file, susceptible of an increase to 75,382 enlisted men.

Provost-Marshal-Gen. FRY goes somewhat into details to explain the difference between himself and the Committee of New-York City, but we do not think he succeeds in throwing any additional light on the subject.

The tables exhibiting the mortality of the army show that without including deaths which have occurred after muster out, 280,739 officers and men have lost their lives in the army. Of this number 5,221 commissioned officers and 90,886 enlisted men have been killed in action or died of wounds, while 2,321 commissioned officers and 182,329 enlisted men have died of disease, or in some few cases of accident. This will give one officer killed in action or died of wounds to every eighteen enlisted men, which makes the mortality of the officers somewhat greater than that of the men, as the former constitute about one twenty-fifth of the entire force, supposing the organizations to be full.

We find, however, on the other hand, that not one officer to 90 men has died of disease. Several reasons are given for this remarkable disproportion in favor of the commissioned class. "Officers are generally better sheltered than the men, and their food is generally better in quality and more varied in kind, so that they suffer less from diseases of the digestive organs. They are not so much crowded together in tents and quarters, and are, therefore, less subject to contagious and [illegible] maladies. They have superior advantages in regard to personal cleanliness. [illegible] ers of war, too, they were generally treated more leniently, and a [illegible] fewer names to the mortality lists of Andersonville, Salisbury and other similar dens. The last, and, perhaps, the most important reason was, "the superior morale, the hopefulness and elasticity of spirit which is given to a man by investing him with a commission and its accompanying authority, responsibility and chances of advancement."

The disproportion between the mortality of the commissioned officers and enlisted men of colored troops is still more noteworthy. In this branch of the service, the officers lost in killed or died of wounds, one in about forty-two, while the men lost but about one in sixty-six. The officers, however, show of deaths by disease, a loss of only one in seventy-seven, while the men show the enormous proportion of nearly one in seven, which is by far the highest mortality from this cause exhibited in the records of the army. As the general proportion of deaths from disease among white troops is less than one in seventeen, the question comes up as to whether it is an economic or philanthropic measure to employ troops who are so eminently liable to death from diseases incident upon camp life.

A table giving the deaths in action or from wounds, show that out of every thousand the middle States lost 31.79; the New-England States, 44.76; the general ratio for the loyal States being 35.10.

It is stated that the loss of the Regular Army from desertion was 244.25 per thousand, while in the volunteers it was but 62.51. This is accounted for on the ground that the men who enlisted in the Regular Army, a large proportion of whom were foreigners, were far inferior in character to those furnished by the States. The report gives a synopsis of the mode of recruitment of European armies, and devotes considerable space to showing the manner in which the rebel army was organized; but we must postpone for the present a discussion of these topics. We have, however, said enough to show that the report of which we have been treating forms a very valuable addition to those public documents which give important information respecting the war of the rebellion.

THE STATE NATIONAL GUARD.—The report of the Inspector-General contains a statement similar to that which he was compelled to make last year—namely, that the issues of arms and clothing, and the establishment of suitable armories in country districts, have not been sufficiently provided for by the Legislature. This state of things should not continue; the military force of the State ought to be kept in the highest condition, both as to discipline and equipments, otherwise there ensues a loss of prestige and of personal interest among the men. The report says that there are nearly 10,000 men not serviceably armed, and over 12,000 not uniformed, which is a very large proportion of the total force of about 50,000 men, and one which it is hoped will not exist for another year.

WENDELL PHILLIPS ON IMPEACHMENT.—WENDELL PHILLIPS was one of the first, if not the very first, to propose the impeachment of the President, as the only means of getting rid of the "obstruction" in the way of the other schemes he proposed. Of course he is in glee that the first step in the matter has been taken, and anticipates that it will result in removing the peril and disgrace (as he coarsely expresses it) of "having a traitor and a ruffian in the Executive chair." He adds:

"We are glad to believe that the step already taken will be duly followed by the President's impeachment, prompt suspension from office, ultimate conviction and deposition. His deposition has become an absolute necessity. Without it, right reconstruction is an impossibility."

PHILLIPS says that "ANDREW JOHNSON has more infamously and criminally injured the nation than did JEFFERSON DAVIS," and that he is now the "instrument, the accepted tool, the figure-head of conspiring traitors," with much more to the same effect. PHILLIPS knows the power that this sort of language exercises over unthinking men, and consequently he makes a very strong display of it. He also repeats again and again his cry to push on the work of impeachment, now that it has begun. He is encouraged by his success thus far, but insists that no time be lost in bringing the labor to its logical conclusion. Even if the peace of the country be threatened by it, it should be done at once, that that also may at the same time be settled. PHILLIPS had better carry on his crusade with all the power he possesses, for this is a critical time for him. If he agitate in a sufficiently agitated manner, he may actually bring Congress to the point of impeachment, and perhaps even further than that.

A MOVEMENT LOUDLY CALLED FOR.—It is satisfactory to note that the subject of incendiarism and unsafe buildings is beginning to be taken up in earnest. In the resolution of the Fire Commissioners to make a vigorous inquiry, and the appointment by the Fire Insurance Companies of a Committee to cooperate with them, there seems to be a chance of suggestions based upon actual knowledge, and which may be of value. We hope the inquiry will be thorough and impartial. Publicity will be one thing desirable—let no one be shielded, and above all let the *real owners* of unsafe tenement houses be brought to light, so the world may know what manner of men they are.

## WASHINGTON.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Jan. 10.

THE TARIFF BILL.

The Senate Finance Committee will report the Tariff Bill to-morrow. It will be the entire tariff, with a clause repealing all other existing acts under which duties are levied. Mr. WELLS' bill has been adopted as a basis throughout, but as regards rates, his recommendations have been set aside upon wool, and to a considerable extent upon iron, but in most other respects his rates as well as his classification and his tree list have been adopted. The general sentiment of Congress was probably well expressed in the remark of a distinguished member of the House to-day, who remarked, in reply to a question as to the future of the tariff, that the facts and logic of Mr. WELLS' report were incontrovertible, but in spite of that a large increase of the tariff was demanded and would be carried. Although Mr. WELLS' recommendations have in some important respects been ignored, his standing with Congress, especially the Senate, is even higher than heretofore. The logic of his reasoning has been admitted on all hands, and it is agreed that ultimately his views will have to be adopted. It is probable that if a tariff bill fixing high rates becomes a law, a material reduction of internal revenue taxes will be assented to, the two ends being incompatible with the requirements of the Treasury for revenue. Especially will this be the case as regards the tax on manufactures and the income tax.

THE TERRITORIAL SUFFRAGE BILL.

The House to-day passed the Territorial Suffrage Bill as it was amended by the Senate. It originally passed the House, at the last session, but only passed the Senate a few days ago, and came up in the House under the amended form. It regulates the elective franchise in the Territories, and is regarded as effective in settling the question of political equality in [illegible] States.

THE NEBRASKA AND COLORADO BILLS.

The House was the scene of a very spirited struggle this afternoon, caused by the effort to put through the bills for the admission of Colorado and Nebraska; but for once it was gratifying to see that neither party discipline nor party hate could force through two important bills of this kind. The previous question on their passage was demanded by Mr. ASHLEY and refused—yeas 33, nays 79. Mr. WASHBURNE'S (of Illinois) motion to lay them on the table was lost by 41 to 107, though several Republicans voted for it, among whom were Messrs. BLAINE, DAVIS, PIKE, DAWES, RAYMOND and WASHBURNE. A struggle was made to have the bills referred to the Committee on Territories, but, pending a motion to postpone them until next Thursday, the House adjourned.

TENURE OF OFFICE.

An amendment to the bill to regulate the tenure of civil officers was offered in the Senate to-day by Mr. HOWE, which was voted down promptly. This amendment included Cabinet officers among the restrictions intended to be placed upon the appointment of officers by the President. The action of the Senate in rejecting Mr. HOWE'S amendment is important, as showing the concurrence of that body with the views expressed by Mr. FESSENDEN that the relations between the Executive and his Cabinet are of such a delicate, intimate and confidential character that the almost exclusive right of the President to appoint such officers is conceded by the Senate, and the propriety and perhaps necessity of the Cabinet advisers being in perfect accord with the President in sentiment is admitted.

RANDALL'S CURRENCY BILL.

There is a growing feeling among members of Congress in favor of RANDALL'S Currency and Sinking Fund Bill.

THE BANKRUPT BILL.

The Senate, it is believed, will pass the Bankrupt Bill, with an amendment respecting the appointment of a Commissioner.

THE SUPREME COURT AND THE TEST OATH.

The Supreme Court of the United States has relaxed its rules so far as to permit reporters to take ample notes of its decision, to be pronounced on Monday next, on the constitutionality of the test oath, as applicable to lawyers practicing at its bar. The anxiety of the public to hear the opinion of the Court on this subject is assigned as the reason for the privilege to the Press in these premises.

FOREIGN POSTAGE.

The postal affairs of the duchies of Schleswig and Holstein having been united to those of Prussia, all correspondence in future between the United States and those duchies by Prussian closed mail will be subject to the same treatment and the same postage charges as similiar mail matter addressed to or received from other parts of Prussia.

THE FINANCIAL PROSPECTS.

Secretary MCCULLOCH, in conversation with a gentleman of this city upon the subject of the finances, last evening, said that he regretted to find the future prospects so unfavorable and forbidding. It was his earnest desire to secure practical measures of reform in this important matter, but his plans were seriously obstructed by the political complications that had been sprung upon the country, and which threatened to retard, if not break up, all the efforts which he might put forth.

THE NEW-ORLEANS RIOTS.

The Committee on the New-Orleans Riots will not prepare their report for several weeks, the [illegible] timony not yet being written out.

THE NEW RADICAL PAPER.

The projectors of the new Radical paper to be published in Washington announce that they intend to [illegible]

ANOTHER MASONIC BENEFIT.—On Saturday afternoon a great performance will be given at the French Theatre, in Pearce-st., in aid of the Masonic Hall and Asylum Fund. "The Morning Call," "Hamlet," and "La Deux Fugitifs" will be given. The advertisement shows it to be almost every actor and actress in the city has volunteered.


announce regular issues about the 1st of February. It is to be printed in the evening only, and called the *Evening Leader*.


THE SESSION OF THE FORTIETH CONGRESS.

It is now substantially determined that we are to have the Fortieth Congress assemble on the 4th of March next. The Senate to-day passed the House bill for that purpose, with amendments that the House will concur in beyond doubt. The President will approve the bill.

THE PRESIDENT'S STATE DINNER.

The President's first State dinner this season took place at 6 o'clock this evening, in the State dining-room of the Executive Mansion. Beside the President and Mrs. JOHNSON, Senator Paterson and Mrs. Paterson, Mrs. Stover and others of the President's household, there were present the Secretary of State and Col. W. H. Seward, U. S. A., Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. McCulloch, Mr. and Mrs. McCulloch, Jr., Secretary of War and Mrs. Stanton, Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Welles, and Mr. Welles, their son, Attorney-General and Mrs. Stanbery, Postmaster-General and Mrs. Randall, Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Browning, and their niece, Miss O. Bannon, Vice-President Foster and Mrs. Foster, Gen. Grant and Mrs. Grant; also of the Tennesseeans—Senator Fowler, Hon. Horace Maynard and lady, Hon. J. W. Leftwich and lady, Hon. N. G. Taylor and lady, Hon. J. R. Hawkins and lady, Hon. W. B. Campbell and Hon. E. Cooper. The party separated at about 10 o'clock.

SPEAKER COLFAX'S RECEPTION.

Speaker COLFAX'S opening reception to-night was a grand ovation to that popular officer

## NEW-YORK.

### AFFAIRS AT THE STATE CAPITAL.

#### United States Senatorship—Constitutional Amendment—The Senate.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 10, 1867.

The caucuses have been duly summoned for this evening, and before this letter reaches you, the great event of the present session will have been decided.

There are signs of weakness in the party supporting Senator HARRIS, which has hitherto presented an unbroken front, and it looks as if the issue was between Judge DAVIS and Mr. CONKLING; but as the telegraph will enable you to announce the result to your readers to-morrow morning, all speculation on the result would be useless. The crowd of outsiders has visibly increased within the last twenty-four hours, and the excitement has naturally increased; but the contest continues to be a good-natured one, and whoever is nominated by the caucus will receive a cordial support.

The Democrats will probably give the compliment of a nomination to HENRY C. MURPHY, although there are serious doubts as to his eligibility. But as his election is out of the question these doubts will not interfere with the free expression of a choice.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

The Assembly was occupied all the morning in the consideration of the resolutions favoring the Congressional Amendment, which, after much discussion and some Fillibustering, passed by a party vote. Mr. CREGAN, of New-York, was the only Democrat who voted for them, but there was an evident unwillingness on the part of his political associates generally to face the music and record themselves against the Amendment. Requests to be excused and explanations of votes were frequent. Mr. WEED, of Clinton, and Mr. GENET, of New-York, expressed a willingness to see the Amendment adopted if they could have any assurances that it would be a finality, but they did not believe that the dominant party meant, in good faith, to admit the Southern States on any such easy terms.

THE SENATE.

In the Senate Mr. LENT introduced the original Underground Railroad Bill, known as the Vanderburgh Bill, and substantially the same as that which has been before the Legislature at the last two sessions. The Senate Committees have not yet been reconstructed, and business makes slow progress in that body. The impeachment case against Judge SMITH, of Oneida County, continues to occupy the Senate at its afternoon sessions.

### THE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS.

#### Hon. Roscoe Conkling, of Oneida County, Nominated for United States Senator—Judge Noah Davis, of Orleans County, the Principal Competitor—Vote 59 to 49.

ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 10.

The Republican members of the Legislature held their Senatorial Caucus in the Assembly Chamber to-night. Senator FOLGER was chosen to preside, and the Clerks of the Senate and Assembly were appointed Secretaries. Senator WHITE and Messrs. TARBOX and SCHUTT were appointed Tellers.

On the roll call twenty-seven Senators and eighty-one Assemblymen answered to their names.

Senator PARSONS being absent on account of illness, a request from him to be allowed to vote by proxy was granted, and Mr. A. J. WOOD cast the proxy.

It was resolved to proceed first to an informal ballot.

Mr. ROBERTS, on behalf of Oneida County, presented the name of ROSCOE CONKLING as a statesman and patriot. His name is written on the national records. He has given many years of faithful, able and valuable services to his country, and has ever proved himself true to principle. His great legislative experience would at once secure to him and to our State a position of usefulness and influence. By his exposure of the Balls Bluff disaster he first brought to light the incapacity of McCLELLAN. By his prosecution of BADEAU, the Provost-Marshal, he exposed corruption, and secured the punishment of a Government officer who had disgraced his position. So too in the Fry controversy, he was the successful champion of right and honesty, and the uncompromising enemy of the dishonest, whether he found them in low or high places. He possesses, in an eminent degree, the talent and energy requisite for the high position, and it was with pleasure and pride that he urged his claims.

Mr. BURROWS said he presented the claims of Western New York—a section of our State which contains over a million inhabitants—a section which has ever stood true to the country and steadfast by the great Republican Party, never giving any uncertain sound. A United States Senator has never been chosen west of Cayuga Bridge; and it is time that that part of the State which last Fall gave over 15,000 majority for the Republican ticket, was recognized. Her claims and services always ignored, can Western New-York long remain satisfied? He said this in no threatening spirit, but as an argument in favor of her candidate, Judge NOAH DAVIS, of Orleans.

Our present Senator has made a noble record and evinced marked ability. He, in common with all classes of citizens, was proud of his talents and high character. But NOAH DAVIS is also a man of cultivated mind and great moral worth, and thoroughly versed in the science of Government. He possesses all the elements of character most desirable in the statesman, jurist and patriot.

Mr. HENRY SHERWOOD nominated IRA HARRIS, of Albany. He spoke for Eastern New-York, for the River Counties, and here in Albany.

The Democratic tide has been turned, and the capital county is now represented by good Union men. Mr. HARRIS has served on the Supreme Court bench and in the Court of Appeals. He has served, too, nearly six years in the United States Senate, and always with credit to himself, again to those whom he represented and to the whole country. The State could not have a more judicious, wise or successful legislator at Washington.

Mr. GIBBS nominated Judge RANSOM BALCOM.

Mr. TRAVIS nominated HORACE GREELEY, to whom he said the Republican Party owed more than to any other man living—man whose personal influence, together with the influence of his paper, was much greater than that possessed by any other man in the State, and that influence was always wielded on the side of right and freedom. He made the nomination without consultation with Mr. GREELEY, for he kept away from Albany, believing that the position should seek the man and not the man the position.

Senator CROWLEY seconded the nomination of Mr. DAVIS in a few earnest remarks.

Senator WHITE paid a high compliment to GEORGE WILLIAM CURTIS, saying that he had hoped to aid in placing that gentleman in the Senate of the United States, but inasmuch as his name was held in abeyance he had cast about him for a suitable person for whom to vote. In looking the ground over his mind had fallen upon ROSCOE CONKLING. [Applause.] In the last political canvass he made the first presentation of a great cause. He sounded the keynote which gave victory to the Republican party. What was wanted in the Senate was not judicial talent but a voice. [Applause.]

Four millions of people wanted a representative that would be heard in the council of the nation. [Applause.]

The informal ballot resulted as follows: Roscoe Conkling, 33; Ira Harris, 32; Noah Davis, 30; Ransom Balcom, 7; Horace Greeley, 5; Charles J. Folger, 1.

Mr. TRAVIS withdrew the name of HORACE GREELEY, stating that a letter had been received from him declining to be a candidate.

First formal ballot—Noah Davis, 41; Roscoe Conkling, 39; Ira Harris, 24; Ransom Balcom, 4; C. J. Folger, 1.

Second formal ballot—Roscoe Conkling, 45; Noah Davis, 44; Ira Harris, 18; Ransom Balcom, 2.

The name of Judge BALCOM was withdrawn.

Third formal ballot—Roscoe Conkling, 53; Noah Davis, 50; Ira Harris, 6.

Fourth formal ballot—On counting the number of votes it was found that 110 had been cast; one in excess. The Chair requested the caucus to proceed to another ballot.

Fifth formal ballot—Roscoe Conkling, 59; Noah Davis, 49; C. J. Folger, 1.

The result was received with cheers.

Senator CROWLEY said that, as a friend of Judge DAVIS, he would move that the nomination of ROSCOE CONKLING be made unanimous. Carried.

The caucus then adjourned.

#### The Result of the Union Caucus—Congratulations.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 10.

The contest for United States Senator was decided this evening by the nomination of ROSCOE CONKLING on the sixth ballot. The vote was almost equally divided between CONKLING and DAVIS through the first five ballots, and the result was for a long time exceedingly doubtful. The best feeling prevails since the decision, and the rooms of Mr. CONKLING, at the Delavan House, are crowded with his friends. Speeches have been made by Judge DAVIS, his competitor, LYMAN TREMAIN, GEORGE OPDYKE, Hon. A. H. LAFLIN and many others.

The Democratic Caucus nominated Senator H. C. MURPHY who was put in nomination by Mr. JACOBS, of Kings. A large complimentary vote was given to A. OAKEY HALL.

### DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.

#### Hon. Henry C. Murphy, of Kings County, Nominated for United States Senator—Hon. A. Oakey Hall, of New-York, his Opponent—Vote Twenty-nine to Twenty-five.

ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 10.

The Democratic members of the Legislature held a caucus this evening for the purpose of nominating a candidate for United States Senator. Mr. J. C. JACOBS nominated Hon. HENRY C. MURPHY, and Mr. DEVLIN nominated Hon. A. OAKEY HALL. And the first ballot resulted as follows. HENRY C. MURPHY received twenty-five votes, A. OAKEY HALL twenty-one votes. On motion Mr. MURPHY'S nomination was made unanimous. He was subsequently waited upon, and in brief remarks returned thanks for the honor. The caucus then adjourned.

### NEW-YORK LEGISLATURE.

SENATE....ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 10.

BILLS NOTICED.

By Mr. LENT—An act in regard to slaughtering animals. The act makes it a misdemeanor to slaughter animals intended for human food in any other than the most expeditious and merciful manner known to science or art. Also, of an act to prevent the overcrowding of omnibuses, stages or horse-cars. This bill provides that no omnibus or stage drawn by two horses shall carry more than twelve passengers; that no car drawn by two horses shall carry more than twenty-four passengers, and where there is an elevation of more than one foot to fifteen on any road an additional horse shall be attached to the car.

By Mr. FOLGER—To make more stringent the act for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

By Mr. LENT—For an underground railroad to run under ground from Bowling-green to Fourteenth-street, under Union-square, and thence by any route to any point on the Hudson River or Harlem Railroads.

Adjourned.

ASSEMBLY....ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 10.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Speaker presented the annual report of the Canal Commissioners; also, the annual report of the Superintendent of the Onondaga Salt Springs.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Mr. BRUCE, from the Committee on Federal Relations, reported concurrent resolutions ratifying the Constitutional Amendment.

Mr. MILLSPAUGH said the minority of the Committee, consisting of himself and Mr. DEVELIN, dissented from the report.

Mr. BRUCE asked for the immediate consideration of the resolutions, and they were adopted by 76 to 40, all the Republicans voting in the affirmative, all the Democrats in the negative.

Mr. SMITH said in order that gentlemen might have an opportunity to discuss the Amendments now, he would move a reconsideration.

Mr. MILLSPAUGH moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table, which was lost.

Messrs. PARKER, STILES, BRUCE, H. SMITH and WILBUR spoke at length in favor of the amendments, and Messrs. WEED, GENET and CREAMER against their adoption.

The motion to reconsider the resolution was then adopted by 78 to 25.

Mr. MILLSPAUGH moved to make the resolutions the special order for the 22d inst., which was lost.

After further discussion the resolutions ratifying the amendments were again adopted by 70 to 35. Adjourned.

#### Annual Report of the Inspector-General of the State of New-York.

The annual report of the Inspector-General, which is in fact a complete summary of the military affairs of the State, has just been transmitted to the Legislature. The enhanced interest attached to the militia since the late war, and the important questions to be solved, touching the future military policy of the nation, renders this report especially interesting. Gov. FENTON, in his recent message, justly remarks: "It is a source of pride to turn to our own national guard organizations and militia system as the best solution of the question yet found in the experience of any of the States." Gen. BATCHELLER'S report shows how this organization has been effected, and suggests such further modification and enforcement of the system as will secure a perfect military defence without burden to the people or danger to their political rights. We have space for only a brief summary of this valuable document.

During the past year but few changes have been made in the organization of the National Guard, the forces as limited by law having been attained at the close of the previous year, and the labor has been mainly directed to the education and training of our organized forces in the knowledge of regulations and military science, rather than to the formation of new commands or the augmentation of the aggregate force. Owing to the limited appropriations of money by the Legislature for military purposes, and the large drafts made from this fund for the payment and adjustment of matters pertaining to the late volunteer service, the military departments have been unable to furnish but a comparatively small number of arms and accoutrements, or distribute but a portion of the clothing actually required to complete the armament and equipment of the regiments. At the close of the year 1865 there were required about 18,000 uniforms and 13,000 stand of arms for issue to troops then organized; since that date 6,000 stand of arms and 7,200 uniforms have been furnished, leaving a deficit which the Legislature should not fail to furnish means to supply.

The Inspector-General in person or by deputy has visited nearly every military district in the State and muster and inspection rolls have been received from every company. Encampments have been held at Syracuse, Delhi, Oneonta, Ballston and Mineola. While in the principal cities convenient armories for their regiments have been generally provided, in other districts this important matter has been neglected. The recent action of the Board of Supervisors of Erie County in this connection is highly commended, and their plans for the erection of suitable drill sheds are worthy of imitation. All the State arsenals and military storehouses have been inspected; extensive repairs have been made during the year, and these edifices are now in excellent condition. Preliminary labors have been completed in the construction of the arsenals authorized at Rochester and Schenectady, and these edifices will probably be erected during the present year. During 1866 the biennial enrollment of the reserve militia has been made. The Inspector-General treats at length this subject of enrollment, and suggests important changes and reforms in order to secure a more perfect enrollment and economical collection of military fines. It is contended that such reforms would supply ample means for the support of the State military system without recourse to legislative appropriations. "The muster of the present year exhibits the aggregate strength of the National Guard as not materially varying from the force of the preceding year," and presents a body of 4,859 men, exclusive of commissioned officers. Of this number about 40,000 are serviceably armed, and 37,400 uniformed and equipped. "It is estimated that of this force at least 25,000 well organized and disciplined troops could be placed in the field within five days after the promulgation of orders." Numerous consolidations and changes are recommended, and nearly twenty feeble and inefficient regimental organizations are reported for disbandment. Under the operation of the Retiring Board a large number of General and field officers have been rendered supernumerary. The action of the State Government regarding the operation of the "Fenians" on the frontier during the past Summer is fully reported and explained. The question of military tactics is discussed, and it is stated that a more thorough distribution of works of instruction and discipline will be made during the year.

The regimental and military fund accounts have been examined and audited as required by law, and complete exhibits are presented. Inspections of a large amount of military material have been made during the year, statements of which accompany the report.

The following amendments to the Military Code are proposed: 1. An exemption from jury duty and highway labor to all regular members of the organized forces of the National Guard. 2. A revision and readjustment of the penalties prescribed for non-attendance at parade and encampments. 3. That commissioned officers be empowered to take possession of any unoccupied field for purposes of field-days and parades, the damages to be paid as prescribed. 4. That keepers of drinking saloons and other places where intoxicating liquors are sold as a beverage, be ineligible to rank as commissioned officers of the National Guard. 5. A general revision of the Code as relates to the system of enrollment of the reserve militia. 6. That Division and Brigade Inspectors be transferred to the Inspector-General's Department, and Assistant Adjutant-Generals be created for each division and brigade.

The report closes with a review of the transactions in the several offices and bureaus of the Department, and compliments the National Guard upon the increased zeal and proficiency in discipline and other military qualities attained during the year.

#### Military Association of the State of New-York.

The next annual meeting of the Military Association of the State of New-York will be held in Albany on Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 15 and 16. All commissioned officers of the National Guard are invited to attend, as business of much importance to the organization will be transacted. Gen. GEORGE S. BATCHELLER, Inspector-General of the State of New-York, will deliver the annual address before the Association, on Wednesday evening, in the Assembly Chamber.

#### New-York Dairyman's Association.

UTICA, N. Y., Wednesday, Jan. 9.

The second annual meeting of the Dairyman's Association commenced in this city to-day, and will be continued all through to-morrow. The attendance is exceeding large, and the greatest interest is manifested in the discussions and proceedings generally.

Hon. GEO. WILLIAMS, of Vernon Oneida County, has been chosen President of the Association for the ensuing year. The Convention was addressed this evening by Mr. A. WILLIAMS, who has recently returned from a tour abroad in the interest of the Association.

### ALABAMA.

#### Return of Gov. Patton—His Views on Reconstruction—The State to be Represented at the Paris Exhibition.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Thursday, Jan. 10.

Gov. PATTON, who has returned here, is rather despondent, and remains confirmed in his views as to the restoration of the State on the adoption of the Constitutional Amendment.

While at New-York Gov. PATTON made arrangements to have the mining and manufacturing interests of Alabama represented in the Paris Exhibition. The Legislature reassembles here on the 15th inst.

#### Fernando Wood at Savannah.

SAVANNAH, Thursday, Jan. 10.

FERNANDO WOOD arrived, and was escorted by prominent citizens to supper at Fireman's Hall, where he is expected to make a speech.

## EUROPE.

#### Arrival of the Belgian at Portland.

PORTLAND, Thursday, Jan. 10.

The steamship *Belgian*, Capt. BROWN, which left Liverpool at 2 P. M. on the 27th, and Londonderry on the morning of the 29th ult., having been detained there by a storm, arrived at this port at midnight.

Purser MCDONALD reports, on the 28th passed the steamer *David*, going into Liverpool; Tuesday, the 8th, passed a National Company's steamer bound to East Greencastle.

Fenianism exhibits no new phase. Seizures of arms and ammunition, and scattering arrests of more or less importance, continued to be almost daily reported.

At a railway station in Dublin, Lord LANGFORD had been arrested for having in his possession a double-barreled gun and a quantity of ammunition, without a license to carry the same in Dublin District. He was admitted to bail, but the gun was detained. He had just arrived by the train.

GLADSTONE had been suffering from a severe throat affection, in Rome, but was convalescent.

### CANADA.

#### Secretary Seward's Application for Record of Proceedings in the Fenian Trials—Opinion of the Colonial Secretary—Commutation of Sentence.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

MONTREAL, Thursday, Jan. 10.

Lord CARNARVON, British Colonial Secretary, in a dispatch to the Governor-General, comments upon Secretary SEWARD'S application for a record of the judicial proceedings in the Fenian trials. He approves the granting of this, but guards himself from assenting to the proposition that this request could have assumed the form of a demand, founded upon strict international right. An application, he says, by the prisoner's counsel, through the United States Consul, would have been more in accordance with ordinary usage. If Mr. SEWARD intended a claim on the part of the United States Government to investigate into judicial proceedings, carried on in Canada with all the safeguards and sanctions of English jurisprudence, and to sit as a Court of Appeals on the same, Lord CARNARVON says it would have been a pretension which the United States Government, representing a nation so jealous of its own honor, would probably be the first to regret. With regard to Mr. SEWARD'S request that an amnesty be granted to the prisoners, Lord CARNARVON, after dwelling on the very grave character of the offence, says that, taking into account that six months had now elapsed and nothing had occurred in the interval to detract from the complete success which crowned the efforts of Her Majesty's troops and of the Canadian volunteers in suppressing the Fenian invasion, and readily accepting the opinion of the Canadian Government in favor of clemency, the Imperial Government had recommended Her Majesty to commute the sentence of LYNCH and MCMAHON to twenty years' penal servitude. He hopes this act of clemency will not be misunderstood, and gives the warning that if similar offences are committed hereafter, those who commit them must be prepared to be visited with the extreme penalty of the law.

The river has fallen nearly a foot since last night.

#### Goods for the Paris Exhibition—The St. Lawrence Higher than for Twenty-five Years—The Fenian Prisoners—Two Boys Drowned at Kingston.

MONTREAL, Thursday, Jan. 10.

The Board of Arts and Manufactures of Lower Canada have forwarded ninety-two packages to the Paris Exhibition; the Geological Department sent fifty-four, weighing ten tons, and the Board of Agriculture thirty-three. More remains to be forwarded.

The only persons who go to Paris from the Lower Canada officials will be the Minister of Agriculture and D. TACHE.

Ten new French papers were started during the last year in Canada.

The water in the river is higher than for twenty-five years past.

Official information received states that the Seventh Fusileers, Twenty-fifth Regiment, and the Rifle Brigade, will leave for England as soon as navigation opens.

TORONTO, Thursday, Jan. 10.

The order for the removal of the convicted Fenians from Kingston Penitentiary has been countermanded. They will remain here until after the trials of the other prisoners.

The Assizes opened at noon before Justice MORRISON. The Grand Jury having been sworn, His Lordship stated that as true bills had been found against the remaining Fenians by the last Grand Jury, their cases would not come before the present Grand Jury.

A number of civil cases were then proceeded with.

Most of the Fenians are to be defended by KENNETH MCKINZIE.

KINGSTON, C. W., Thursday, Jan. 10.

Two lads named CHAMPION TAYLOR and TIMOTHY TOLAND were drowned while skating on the river last evening. Their bodies have not yet been recovered. The former is the son of Capt. W. TAYLOR, of this city.

### MAINE.

#### Bear Killing—The National Military Asylum.

AUGUSTA, Me., Thursday, Jan. 10.

Returns received at the office of the Secretary of State show that during last year there were two hundred and sixty-five bears killed in this State. In Penobscot County alone there were one hundred and nine killed, and in the town of Lincoln forty-five.

The returns show that there were only four wolves killed in the entire State during the year.

The Board of Managers of the National Military Asylum, recently established at Chelsea, in this State, have petitioned the Legislature to cede the premises to the General Government.

#### The Republicans in Caucus—Mr. Cameron Receives the Nomination for Senator.

HARRISBURGH, Thursday, Jan. 10.

The Republican Senatorial caucus met at 8 o'clock this evening, and remained in session nearly an hour. Everything was quiet and orderly, and on the first ballot Mr. CAMERON was nominated. The vote was as follows: CAMERON, 46; CURTIN, 23; STEVENS, 7; GROW, 5. The two Lancaster Senators did not go into caucus. On motion of one of CURTIN'S friends, the nomination was made unanimous.

### INDIANA.

#### Organization of the Legislature—The Senatorial Question.

INDIANAPOLIS, Thursday, Jan. 10.

Hon. D. C. BRANHAM was elected Speaker of the House to-day on the first ballot. Mr. BRANHAM is one of the leading politicians of Southern Indiana.

The Senatorial question is not much discussed. The leading candidates are Gov. MORTON, JOHN D. DEFREES and GEORGE W. JULIAN. The friends of Gov. MORTON are well organized and confident. The opposition to him is very bitter, but of a desultory character. The caucus for the nomination of Senator will be held to-morrow night.

### MISSOURI.

#### The Senatorial Contest—The Legislature.

ST. LOUIS, Thursday, Jan. 10.

DRAKE'S nomination in caucus by 77 votes insures his election. He favors negro suffrage.

The Assembly has tabled the proposition to repeal the test oath, referring to teachers and preachers, by a large majority, and passed a resolution looking to the impeachment of several Conservative Judges who restored rebels to citizenship.

The arson investigation at St. Joseph implicates leading proprietors of the store burned in incendiarism, the insurance being $2,000 more than the appraised value of the stock.

### COLORADO.

#### Gold Shipments—Indian Murders.

DENVER, Col., Thursday, Jan. 10.

There is intense enthusiasm here over the passage of the Colorado Bill by the Senate.

The gold shipments from Colorado for the week ending Jan. 8 amount to 1,170 ounces; value, $20,000.

Salt Lake papers have accounts of a massacre of miners by the Navajoes, near Callville, Colorado River.

#### The Kansas Legislature.

TOPEKA, Kansas, Thursday, Jan. 10.

Both branches of the Legislature have appointed several standing committees.

A resolution was introduced in the Senate by Mr. SIMPSON to strike out the word "white" in the State Constitution.

The Senatorial contest is becoming more intricate every day. New candidates are hourly appearing, developing the most complete chaos imaginable. No opinion of their relative strength can be formed before the 22d.

Senator'S ROSS and CLARK are on the way here.

The Constitutional Amendment was ratified by the House by a vote of 75 to 7, the Senate refusing to suspend the rules for that purpose.

### PACIFIC COAST.

#### The Special Election for Congressman—Colima Taken by the Liberals—Trade Resumed—The Nevada Senatorial Election.

SAN FRANCISCO, Thursday, Jan. 10.

The Governor of the State has been telegraphed to from Washington by our delegation there, in regard to a special election for Congressman, asking him what the people desire. He replied: "In my opinion a large majority of the people of the State do not desire a special Congressional election," which reply will probably determine the California delegation at Washington not to ask for a bill authorizing the Governor to call such special election.

Advices deemed entirely reliable confirm the reported capture of Colima, Mexico, by the Liberals. Parties from San Francisco, interested in trade and mining in that section, are again able to resume business.

H. B. M. ship *Sutlej* sailed yesterday for Valparaiso.

The proceedings in the Nevada Legislature yesterday were unimportant. Mr. JNO. B. WINTERS is among the aspirants for United States Senatorial honors. Gen. NYE'S friends were greatly elated last night, and felt confident of his election.

#### Mining Companies Dividends—Wheat Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, Friday, Jan. 10.

The steamship *Golden City* sailed for Panama to-day, with treasure and passengers for New-York. She carries $1,477,800, of which $1,072,175 is for New-York.

The Crown Point Mining Company have declared a dividend of $100 dollars per foot, and carried over a surplus of $36,000.

The Imperial Company also declared a dividend of $8 per share; and the Hale and Norcross declared a dividend of $100 per foot. Empire Mill Company have also declared a dividend of $160 per foot.

The Wheat market is more active, and quoted as follows: Prime shipping $1 75 per bushel; Extra Flour, $6 50; Superfine, $6 75.

The *Golden City* to-day carried over 4,000 barrels for New-York, at $3 per barrel freight.

New-York State, 33c. Macy's Candles, 21c.

The ship *Vicaia*, from Hong Kong, spoke the British ship *Tecksbury*, off Formosa, from Manilla for San Francisco, with her rudder gone.

Mining stocks are quoted as follows: Savage, $1,950; Yellow Jacket, $1,275; Gould and Curry, $650; Chollar, $229; Alpha, $200; Belcher, $180. Legal Tenders are selling at 74c.

### MASSACHUSETTS.

#### Mrs. Willard—A Man Frozen to Death—Accident.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Thursday, Jan. 10.

Mrs. FRANCES GRAY WILLARD, who was shot a few days since in New-York by a policeman, was a daughter of ANDREW F. WILLARD, formerly of this city, and resided here during the most of her early life. She was first married to a man named SEYMOUR, and afterward to a Mr. PINKERMAN, from whom she was divorced, and afterward assumed her maiden name.

A man named CYRUS FOWLER, was frozen to death while intoxicated Saturday night, within a few rods of his home at Byfield.

A man named JOHN TURNER fell from the deck to the hold of the steamer *Peruvian*, yesterday, and received severe if not fatal injuries.

A New-Yorker, named WM. P. SMITH, while temporarily sojourning in the "Wilds" of North-street, yesterday had his pocket picked of a gold watch valued at $150.

#### The Murderer Moran's Sentence Commuted to Imprisonment for Life.

BOSTON, Thursday, Jan. 10.

The case of JOHN MORAN, who was sentenced to be hanged on the 25th inst. for the murder of MARY ELLEN KEARNY, in Roxbury, came before the Governor and Council to-day. The influences for a mitigation of sentence were more powerful than any heretofore presented. Besides the establishing of MORAN'S uniform good character, it was shown that his victim was but little better than a common prostitute, and her actions were urged as almost sufficient to provoke the fatal assault.

It was shown that she associated with MORAN and pretended affection for him for the sake of securing his earnings, while she at the same time was going with other men whom she said she liked better. It was also shown by their own evidence that a great portion of the jury who found the verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree were not favorable to such a verdict, but were influenced to indorse it by the urging of the foreman of the jury, and the representation that MORAN would probably be pardoned if convicted of murder in the first degree.

EX-GOV. ANDREW was among those who appeared in the criminal's behalf, and when the hearing was concluded the Council took a ballot, and decided unanimously to commute the sentence of death to imprisonment for life. MORAN will be taken to the Charlestown State Prison to-morrow, to remain there for the remainder of his life.

#### Responsibilities of Banks—Hours of Labor—Report of the Investigating Committee.

BOSTON, Thursday, Jan. 10.

A firm in this city is about to test the responsibility of banks for the stocks, notes, bonds, &c., deposited in small trunks in the bank vaults, the said firm having been the loser of a large amount of valuable property received from a New-York bank and deposited for safe keeping.

The banks of Boston have just given notice to their patrons to remove their trunks from the bank vaults, the managers of these institutions not wishing the spirit of accommodation to be construed into a responsibility for property, which is looked upon as an inconvenient incumbrance.

State Commissioners were appointed last year to visit different portions of the State for the purpose of investigating the hours of labor adopted, and make their report thereon to the present Legislature. The time draws near for this information to be furnished, and it is said that there will be two reports upon the subject. One of them—the minority report—is in favor of an eight-hour law; while the majority report—one of the parties connected with which is AMASA J. WALKER, of Brookfield—expresses opposition to any interference whatever by the Legislature with the subject.

#### Commutation of Sentence.

BOSTON, Thursday, Jan. 10.

MORAN, who was sentenced to be hung on the 25th inst. for the murder of MARY ELLEN KEARNEY, in Roxbury, about ten months ago, has had his sentence commuted to imprisonment for life.

### KENTUCKY.

#### The Trial of the Railroad Robbers.

LOUISVILLE, Thursday, Jan. 10.

The evidence for the prosecution closed to-day in the trial of the railroad robbers at Frankfort, Ky.

### LOUISIANA.

#### Gen. Wood's Administration in Mississippi—Colored Troops to be Mustered Out—Commutation of a Death Sentence.

NEW-ORLEANS, Thursday, Jan. 10.

The Mississippi papers compliment Gen. T. J. WOOD for his fairness and just intentions in the administration of affairs in that State. He is on the point of leaving that command.

The internal revenue receipts in this city from sales of merchandise and products are much less for December than November. It is believed that the January sales will show a continuing diminution.

It is stated that the Tenth Heavy Artillery and Eighteenth Infantry, colored, now remaining in Louisiana, will soon be mustered out and relieved by the Twentieth Regulars, who are ordered here.

The revenue-cutter *McCulloch* leaves this port to-morrow, under sealed orders, to join the expedition sent from Washington to take possession of the port of Samana, which it is said Secretary SEWARD purchased for the United States.

Gov. WELLS yesterday exercised the prerogative of his office in commuting the sentence of death passed upon JACOB and ROBERT JOHNSON, colored, by the Second Judicial Court for the Parish of St. Bernard, for the crime of burglary, armed with dangerous weapons.

The trial took place on Monday, the 8th of October last, and resulted in an unqualified verdict of guilty. The sentence of death was pronounced by Judge CAZABAT. The sentence has been commuted to imprisonment for life by the Governor, in consequence of a petition from a number of planters and prominent citizens of the Parish of St. Bernard.

### MARYLAND.

#### The Legislature—Action on the Citizenship Bill.

ANNAPOLIS, Thursday, Jan. 10.

In the House of Delegates to-day, after the transaction of much important business, the bill to restore to the full rights of citizenship all persons deprived thereof by the fourth section of the first article of the Constitution, came up as the order of the day.

Several motions to refer and amend were made and lost, when Mr. STEVENS, of Baltimore, moved to amend by excepting from the provisions of this act all persons of this State who, during the war, left this State and entered into armed rebellion against the General Government.

This was opposed on the ground that it would be creating a distinction against our own citizens in favor of aliens from other States.

Mr. STEVENS withdrew his amendment, and the bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

#### Payment of Bounties to Slaves.

BALTIMORE, Thursday, Jan. 10.

In the State Senate yesterday afternoon a resolution was introduced suspending the payment of bounties, for the present, to slaves, as provided for in the act of February, 1864. The resolution was referred.

### NEW-JERSEY.

#### The Republican Caucus—Explosion of a Locomotive Boiler.

TRENTON, N. J., Thursday, Jan. 10.

A Republican caucus, to nominate a United States Senator, will meet Thursday, Jan 17.

A locomotive on the Camden and Amboy Railroad exploded near Amboy, last night, injuring the engineer and a brakeman.

### ILLINOIS.

#### The Constitutional Amendment Passed by the Senate.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 10.

The Amendment to the National Constitution, known as the fourteenth article, was ratified by the Upper Branch of the Illinois Legislature this afternoon, by a vote of yeas 17, nays 7; not voting, 1.

#### Yale Medical College Commencement—Installation Exercises.

NEW-HAVEN, Ct., Thursday, Jan. 10.

The commencement exercises of the Medical Department of Yale College took place this evening at the Medical College. Dr. L. S. PADDOCK, of Norwich, delivered the address to the class, and CORNELIUS W. BULL, of this city, the valedictory address. The Bennett prizes for the best anatomic preparation was given to J. H. PARKER and E. W. WARD. The Hooker prize for the best examination for Doctor of Medicine was awarded to THEOBALD BARD, of East China, Mich. The Degrees were conferred by President WOOLSEY.

This evening Rev. DANIEL S. GREGORY, of Troy, was installed pastor of the Third Congregational Church, formerly under the charge of the late Dr. CLEVELAND. Rev. Dr. SPRAGUE, of Albany, N. Y., preached the installation sermon.

#### Brutal Treatment of a Girl by Her Father.

NORWICH, Thursday, Jan. 10.

There is much excitement here to-day over the discovery of the fact that a Spiritualist named CHARLES WILLIAMS had nearly starved his daughter, aged 13, by giving her only one bowl of gruel per day for three weeks, and for forty-eight hours she had nothing to eat or drink.

The girl had been kept in close confinement in her room. In attempting to let herself down from the third story, she fell, and was somewhat hurt. When the facts were discovered, some selectmen took charge of the girl, whose recovery is doubtful, and the mob made an assault on WILLIAMS, who defended himself with an ax. The authorities interfered, and he has been locked up for trial.

#### Fire at Bennington, Vt.

TROY, N. Y., Thursday, Jan. 10.

The knitting factory of H. & Y. BRADFORD, at Bennington, Vt., was destroyed by fire last night. Loss $30,000. The property was insured.

#### Presentation of a Cane to Jeff. Davis.

FORTRESS MONROE, Tuesday, Jan. 8.

The long-talked-of cane prepared by the ladies of a Catholic Church in Norfolk, a month or so ago, was yesterday (the 7th) presented to JEFF. DAVIS in his quarters in Carroll Hall, by a gentleman named JOHN O. GAMAGE, a resident of the city, who won the honor at a public raffle. The cane, which has been previously described, is made of a piece of oak taken from the rebel ram *Merrimac*, and is surmounted by a massive gold head, on which is inscribed an appropriate legend, with the name of the Ex-President. Mr. GAMAGE arrived here yesterday morning, with the Committee on Presentation, and, after the usual preliminaries, was admitted to the quarters of Mr. DAVIS. After a short conversation on different subjects he produced the cane from a velvet-lined box and said:

Mr. DAVIS: By chance, Sir, it has become my very pleasant duty to present you this cane. It is a token of respect and esteem from the ladies of the Catholic Congregation of the City of Norfolk. Be pleased to accept it, with its noble motto: "The offering of one cane a tribute of many." Let it ever serve as a faithful reminder of its fair donors.

Mr. DAVIS accepted the beautiful gift in a brief and feeling reply. He alluded to the kindness of the people of the South to him during his prison life, especially the kindness, constancy and patriotism of the people of Norfolk, and said he had often had the pleasure of receiving tokens of their esteem. He requested Mr. GAMAGE to extend to the ladies of the Catholic Church his grateful acknowledgment of their beautiful gift, intimating that he would further acknowledge its reception by letter. The party passed a pleasant hour in conversation with Mr. DAVIS and his lady, after which the gentlemen took leave, expressing the hope that the new year might be more full of hope and happiness to him than the dark, dismal months of the past.

The gentlemen composing the Committee of Presentation were well pleased with their trip, and remarked that the health of Mr. DAVIS was much better than had been represented, but that his hair was considerably sprinkled with gray.

ARRIVALS IN THE CITY.—Senator Sprague, of Rhode Island, and Gen. A. Dudley, Virginia, are at the ASTOR House. Sig. Brignoli is at the Everett House. Ex-Gov. R. M. Price, of New-Jersey, and Commodore Alden, U. S. N., are at the St. James Hotel. Viscount de Noué, France, is at the Brevoort House.

#### Capital and Credit.

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*Resolved*, That the Metropolitan National Bank will pay the City tax for stockholders in said Bank, on MONDAY, the 14th inst., at noon, and each stockholder is hereby notified that if the city tax on his shares has been paid by him previous to this date, he is required to leave with this Bank his tax receipt as evidence of such payment, at any time before Monday next, at 10 o'clock, A.M. GEORGE I. SENEY, Cashier.

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FRANCIS P. SCHOALS, DANIEL DEVLIN,
GEORGE W. PLANT, HENRY L. HOGUET,
JOHN R. LAWDEN, LAUREN HARDING,
GEORGE C. PETERS, JONA'N. ALLEN,
NAHUM SULLIVAN,
and CORNELIUS L. DEFOREST. SAMUEL C. HARRIOT and H. C. NORTON were elected Inspectors of the next ensuing election.

At a meeting of the Board held subsequently held, F. A. PALMER, Esq., was unanimously reelected President.

J. L. EVERITT, Cashier.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE Stockholders of the WASHINGTON MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, of the City of New-York.

That at a special meeting of the Directors of said Company, held at their office, No. 40 Pine-st., and City, on the 5th day of November, A. D. 1866, in view of a deficiency in the capital of said Company, caused by unprecedented marine disasters, and under and in pursuance of section 11 of the charter of said Company, and of the statute in such case made and provided, it was unanimously resolved that an assessment of forty per cent. be and the same was accordingly duly assessed upon each and every share of the capital stock of said Company, payable at the office of said Company, No. 40 Pine-st., in said City, on or before the 3d day of January, 1867.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 1, 1866. A. L. McCARTHY, Secretary.

THE CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, NEW-YORK, Jan 5, 1867.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS Bank have this day appropriated an amount equal to 2-3-10 per cent. of the capital from the past earnings, to meet the state tax imposed upon bank stock, as recently confirmed by the Supreme Court of the United States.

Stockholders who have paid said tax as assessed, or who have been exempt from the same in any way, will please send their receipts to or communicate with the cashier.

It was also resolved to declare future dividends payable July and January of each year.

W. H. SANFORD, Cashier.

EAGLE FIRE COMPANY, No. 71 WALL-ST., }
NEW-YORK, Jan. 8, 1867. }

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION, HELD this day, the following Directors were chosen for the ensuing year:

Sanford Cobb, Robert Lenox Kennedy,
James N. Cobb, Wm. H. Guion,
John Q. Jones, Philip A. Lydey,
Wm. S. Aspinwall, Daniel B. Fearing,
Robert Ray, Foux Ingoldsby,
Wm. S. Herriman, Joseph Sampson,
George A. Jones.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors, SANFORD COBB was unanimously reelected President.

A. J. CLINTON, Secretary.

THE CHATEAM NATIONAL BANK, }
NEW-YORK, Jan. 9, 1867. }

AT AN ELECTION HELD ON THE 8TH inst., the following-named gentlemen were duly elected directors of this bank for the ensuing year, viz.:

Nathaniel Rayson, Charles J. Shepard,
William Allen, Charles Sandford,
George C. Collins, John L. Sherwood,
Joseph M. Cooper, Thomas Woodward,
Thomas D. Sewport, Samuel S. Platt,
John n. Dunham, H. B. Sloomis,
Benjamin W. Merriam, Charles Hauscit.
Alfred L. Rowe.

And at a meeting of the Board this day, Nathaniel Hayden and Joseph M. Cooper were respectively unanimously reelected President and Vice-President.

O. H. SCHRAUBNER, Cashier.

OFFICE METROPOLITAN GASLIGHT COMPANY, }
BROADWAY, CORNER 42D-ST., }
NEW-YORK, Dec. 29, 1866. }

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of this Company, for the election of Directors and for the transaction of other business, will be held at the office on TUESDAY, the 15th day of Jan. 14, 1867. Poll will be opened at 12 M., and closed at 2 P. M.

The transfer book will be closed on the evening of Dec. 31, 1866, and reopened on the morning of Jan. 15, 1867.

WILLIAM G. HART, Secretary.

GALLATIN NATIONAL BANK, }
No. 33 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, }

SPECIAL NOTICE.—RESOLVED, THAT THIS Bank will pay the City tax for stockholders in said Bank on MONDAY, the 14th inst., at noon, and each stockholder is hereby notified that if the City tax on his shares has been paid by him previous to this date, he is required to leave with this Bank his tax receipt as evidence of such payment, at any time before Monday next, at 10 o'clock, A.M. F. D. TAPPEN, Cashier.

ELECTION NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL ELECtion of the Trustees of the UNION TRUST COMPANY of New-York, to supply the place of those whose terms expire, will be held at the office of the said Company, THIRD TUESDAY in January instant, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M. Dated Jan. 3, 1867.

WM. F. ALDRICH, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE BIGELOW BLUE STONE COMPANY, }
MALDEN, N. Y., Dec. 31, 1866. }

THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF TRUSTEES of this Company and inspectors of the next election will be held at the office of the Company, on MONDAY, the 14th day of January next, between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock.

H. BOGARDUS, Secretary.

THE BISHOP GUTTA PERCHA COMPANY, Jan. 2, 1867.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF TRUSTEES of this Company to serve for the ensuing year, will take place at the office of the Company, No. 112 Liberty-st., in the City of New-York, on MONDAY, Jan. 14, 1867, at 12 o'clock P. M.

(Signed,) WILLIAM HEATON, President.
(Signed,) SAMUEL BOARDMAN, Secretary.

BELOIT AND MADISON RAILROAD CO., }
Dec. 29, 1866. }

THE COUPONS OF THIS COMPANY, due on the 2d day of January, 1867, will be paid on and after that date at the office of the Chicago and Northwestern Railway Company, No. 57 Broadway, New-York.

A. L. PITCHARD, Treasurer.

THE NATIONAL MECHANICS' BANKING ASSOCIATION OF NEW-YORK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 12, 1866.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECtors of this Bank will be held at the banking house, No. 38 Wall-st., on MONDAY the 14th day of January next, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.

F. CHANDLER, Cashier.

THE BOWERY NATIONAL BANK, }
NEW-YORK, Dec. 15, 1866. }

AN ELECTION FOR SEVEN DIRECtors of this institution, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking-room, on TUESDAY, the 15th day of January next, between the hours of 12 M. and 2 o'clock P. M.

A. HAMILTON, Cashier.

$30,000 WANTED FOR A TERM OF YEARS.—First mortgage on Brooklyn water-front lots, with bulkhead; on the premises and entirely new brick storehouses, machinery, &c.; the entire property is worth over $100,000; the security is unquestionable. Address J. W. W., Box No. 181 *Times* Office.

UNITED STATES TREASURY, Jan. 7, 1867.

SCHEDULES OF (30) THIRTY OR MORE Coupons due Jan. 15, 1867, will now be received for examination at the United States Treasury.

H. H. VAN DYCK, Assistant Treasurer.

## FINANCIAL.

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# JAY COOKE & CO.

Corner Wall and Nassau Sts., New York.

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JAY COOKE & CO.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,

NO. 20 WALL-ST.,

ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS FOR USE IN THIS COUNTRY AND ABROAD.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE CONdition of the SECOND NATIONAL BANK, in New-York, in the State of New-York, on the morning of the first Monday of January, 1867.

RESOURCES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Notes and bills discounted | $662,988 08 |
| Overdrafts | 624 91 |
| Current expenses | 2,400 70 |
| Premiums | 20,868 50 |
| Cash items, (including revenue stamps,) and uncollected checks | 84,144 45 |
| Due from National Banks | 27,594 64 |
| United States bonds deposited with United States Treasurer to secure circulating notes | 300,000 00 |
| United States bonds deposited with United States Treasurer to secure deposits | $50,000 |
| Other United States securities with United States Treasurer to secure deposits | 100,000— 150,000 00 |
| Cash on hand in circulating notes of other National Banks | $21,123 |
| Cash on hand in circulating notes of State Banks | 238— 21,361 00 |
| Fractional currency | $3,839 |
| Legal-tender notes | 25,500 |
| Compound interest notes | 180,000— 467,328 00 |
| Total | $1,767,148 25 |

LIABILITIES.

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|---|---|
| Capital stock paid in | $300,000 00 |
| Surplus Fund | $75,000 00 |
| Interest | 7,362 06 |
| Profit and loss | 6,979 94— 89,332 00 |
| Circulating notes received from Comptroller | $270,000 00 |
| Less amount on hand | 2,911 50 |
| Amount outstanding | 270,000 00 |
| Individual deposits | 553,764 88 |
| United States deposits | 121,816 99 |
| Due to National Banks | 122,894 39 |
| Total | $1,757,868 26 |

I, CHARLES P. HABTT, Cashier of the National Bank of New-York, do solemnly swear that the above statement is, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHARLES P. HARTT, Cashier.

*State of New-York, County of New-York.*—Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 8th day of January, 1867.

WM. WALTER PHELPS,
Notary Public County of New-York.

[5 cent Int. Rev. stamp canceled.]

QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE CONdition of the CROTON NATIONAL BANK in the City of New-York, in the State of New-York, on the morning of the first Monday of January, 1867:

RESOURCES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Notes and Bills Discounted and Loans on Demand | $313,906 29 |
| Overdrafts | 370 38 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 4,861 00 |
| Current Expenses and Taxes | 8,124 89 |
| Premiums | 4,000 00 |
| Cash Items | 2,3 8 65 |
| Uncollected Checks | 1,756,000 00 |
| Due from National Banks | 53,576 11 |
| Due from other Banks and Bankers | 192 88 |
| United States bonds deposited with United States Treasurer to secure Circulating Notes | 212,000 00 |
| United States bonds deposited with United States Treasurer to secure deposits | 100,000 00 |
| Cash on hand in circulating notes of other National Banks | 3,236 00 |
| Specie | $4,628 96 |
| Fractional currency | 331 00 |
| Legal-tender notes | 161,963 00 |
| Compound interest notes | 25,350 00— $190,141 94 |
| Total | $2,551,112 12 |

LIABILITIES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Capital stock paid in | $200,000 00 |
| Circulating Notes outstanding | 180,000 00 |
| Individual deposits | 2,108,362 98 |
| United States deposits | 26,205 85 |
| United States Disbursing Officer's deposits | 269 65 |
| Due to National Banks | 9,1 2 72 |
| Due to other banks and bankers | 1,1 1 65 |
| Discount | $3,137 95 |
| Exchanges | 561 74 |
| Interest | 13,45 13 |
| Profit and loss | 16,338 93— $33,333 75 |
| Total | $2,651,112 12 |

I, M. T. RODMAN, Cashier of the Croton National Bank, of New-York City, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief. M. T. RODMAN, Cashier.

*State of New-York, City and County of New-York.*—Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 8th day of January, 1867. WM. T. FARNUM, Notary Public.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE CONdition of the NATIONAL SHOE AND LEATHER BANK, in New-York, in the State of New-York, on the morning of the first Monday of January, 1867:

RESOURCES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Notes and Bills discounted and Call Loans | $3,4'8,332 77 |
| Indebtedness of Directors | 253,400 |
| Current Expenses | 175 00 00 |
| Premiums | 6,818 6) |
| Cash Items | 45,2.0 46 |
| Due from other Banks | 914,853 54 |
| U. S. Bonds denosited with U. S. Treasurer to secure Circulating Notes | 248,889 21 |
| U. S. Bonds and Securities on hand | 1,036,300 00 |
| Cash on hand in Circulating Notes of other National Banks | 27,350 00 |
| Specie | 50,0 0 00 |
| Fractional Currency | 49,896 44 |
| Legal-tender Notes and Clearing-house Certificates | 14,2.0 46 |
| State and other Stocks, worth over par | 1,230,000 00 |
| Total | 510,000 00 |
| | $7,7,5,875 0. |

LIABILITIES.

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|---|---|
| Capital Stock paid in | $1,530,000 00 |
| Surplus Fund | 506,359 54 |
| Circulating Notes received from Comptroller | $300,000 00 |
| Less amount on hand | 2,911 50 |
| Amount outstanding | 297,088 50 |
| Individual Deposits | 922,485 53 |
| Due to Banks and Bankers | 3,7,2,288 83 |
| State Bank Circulation outstanding | 86,9.4 15 |
| Unpaid Dividends | 2,157 00 |
| Total | 33,880 00 |
| | $7,7,5,875 42 |

I, JOHN M. CRANE, Cashier of the National Shoe and Leather Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statements is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. M. CRANE, Cashier.

*State of New-York, County of New-York.*—Sworn to, and subscribed before me, this 10th day of January, 1867.

A. H. SONES, Notary Public, New-York.

[U. S. Internal Revenue stamp, canceled.]

QUARTERLY REPORT—SHOWING THE Condition of the NATIONAL CURRENCY BANK OF NEW-YORK, on the morning of the first Monday of January, 1867:

RESOURCES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Notes and bills discounted | $108,682 50 |
| Overdrafts | 7,668 10 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 3,033 00 |
| Cash items, (including revenue stamps) | 33,831 96 |
| Due from National Banks | 76,799 42 |
| Due from other banks and bankers | $78 575 68 |
| United States bonds with Treasurer | 24,6.1 85—103,227 53 |
| to secure circulation | 101,000 00 |
| United States bonds with Treasurer to secure deposits | 60,000 00—161,000 00 |
| United States bonds and securities on hand | 29,700 00 |
| Notes of National Banks on hand | $24,.78 00 |
| Notes of State banks on hand | 16,212 00— 40,490 00 |
| Specie on hand | 15,866 74 |
| Fractional currency on hand | 2,6.6 00 |
| Legal-tenders on hand | 28,402 00 |
| Compound interest notes on hand | 158,150 00—202,159 95 |
| Total | $708,526 46 |

LIABILITIES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Capital stock | $100,000 00 |
| Surplus Fund | 50,0 0 00 |
| Circulation | 90,000 00 |
| Individual deposits | $2,6,913 54 |
| Due to National Banks | 126,344 68 |
| Due to other banks and bankers | 137,319 98—463,577 80 |
| Due to Treasurer of the United States | 57,440 68 |
| Profit and loss | 6,511 98 |
| Total | $708,526 46 |

*State of New-York, County of New-York, ss.*—I, W. G. WHITE, Cashier of the National Currency Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. G. WHITE, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this ninth day of January, 1867. JAMES N. CRARY, Notary Public.

TENTH NATIONAL BANK, No. 226 BROADWAY, }
NEW-YORK, Jan. 8, 1867. }

AT AN ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank, held at the banking-room this day, the following gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year:

J. G. ANGER, Formerly of Wm. H. Cary & Co.
E. L. FANCHER, Esq., No. 226 Broadway.
JOHN ELLIOTT, Messrs. Riggs & Co., Wall-st. and Washington.
LEWIS EINSTEIN, Messrs. Lewis Einstein & Co.
JOHN FALCONER, Seam.en Clothing Man'r's.
HENRY J. BAKER, Messrs. H. J. Baker & Bro.
ALBERT L. LEE, Messrs. Coffin, Lee & Co.
CHAS. G. BARRETT, Messrs. Randolph, Skidmores & Co.
ED. F. KNOWLTON, Messrs. Wm. Knowlton & Son.
JACOB H. DATER, Messrs. Jno. G. McMurray & Co.
B. F. BEEKMAN, Messrs. B. F. Beekman & Co.
SAMUEL SH , Shethar & Nichols.
WM. SULZBA , Sulzbacher, Gutterman & Weddeles.
WM. W. WRIGHT, Messrs. Wright, Brinckerhoff & Co.
D. L. ROSS, Messrs. Ross, Dempster & Co.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, DANIEL L. ROSS, Esq., was unanimously reelected President.

J. H. STOUT, Cashier.

FOURTH NATIONAL BANK }
OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, }
NEW-YORK, Jan. 9, 1867. }

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this Bank for the ensuing year the following gentlemen were duly elected:

DIRECTORS.

EDWIN HOYT,
JOSEPH STUART,
JOHN M. FURMAN,
CHARLES L. ANTHONY,
TIMOTHY G. CHURCHILL,
JOSEPH B. HOYT,
HENRY SWIFT,
GEORGE OPDYKE,
PHILO C. CALHOUN.

FOR INSPECTORS OF NEXT ELECTION,
T. BELKNAP, Jr.,
E. L. BOLLES,
C. E. DETMOLD.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board Mr. P. C. CALHOUN was unanimously reelected President, and Mr. JOSEPH STUART Vice-President.

B. SEAMAN, Cashier.

NATIONAL BUTCHERS' AND DROVERS' BANK, }
No. 124 BOWERY, }

SPECIAL NOTICE.—THIS BANK WILL pay the State tax imposed upon bank stock, the amount having been appropriated by a vote of the board of Directors. Stockholders who have paid said tax, or who have been relieved from the same in any way, will please send their receipts or communicate with the Cashier on or before the 14th inst.

G. G. BRINCKERHOFF, Cashier.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the stockholders of the Beekman Oil Company will be held at the Company's office, No. 20 Broad-st., in the City of New-York, on the 15th day of January, 1867, at 12 o'clock noon, for the election of Trustees, and other important business. By order of the Board of Trustees.

C. S. A. CROSBY, Sec'y.

THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE BULLION MINING COMPANY OF MONTANA are hereby notified that an election for Trustees will be held on THURSDAY, Jan. 17, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock, at No. 187 Washington-st.

GEO. S. ST JOHN Secretary, Pro Tem.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 3, 1867.

## FINANCIAL.

VERMILYE & CO.,

NO. 44 WALL-ST.,

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NEW-YORK, Jan. 10, 1867.

| | Buy. | Sell. | | Buy. | Sell. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Registered '81 | 107¾ | 107¾ | June, 3-30 | 103¾ | 104 |
| Coupon, 1881 | 107¾ | 107¾ | July, 3-30 | 103¾ | 104 |
| 5-20 Regist'd '62 | 106¾ | 10b | June, C.L.N's, '64 | 116¾ | 116¾ |
| 5-20 Coup'on, '62 | 106¾ | 106¾ | July, C.L.N's, '64 | 116¾ | 116¾ |
| 5-20 Coupon, '64 | 104¾ | 105 | Aug., C.L.N's, '64 | 115¾ | 115¾ |
| 5-20 Coupon, '65 | 104¾ | 105¾ | Oct., C.L.N's, '64 | 114¾ | 114¾ |
| 5-20 new, '65 | 103¾ | 103¾ | Dec., C.L.N's, '64 | 113¾ | 113¾ |
| 10-40 Registered | 99¾ | 100 | Mar., C.L.N's, '65 | 111¾ | 111¾ |
| 10-40 Coupon | 99¾ | 99¾ | Aug., C.L.N's, '65 | 110¾ | 110¾ |
| Gold | 133 | 133¼ | Sept., C.L.N's, '65 | 110¾ | 110¾ |
| August, 7-30 | 103¾ | 104 | Oct., C.L.N's, '65 | 110 | 110¾ |

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QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE CONdition of the EAST RIVER NATIONAL BANK, in the City and in the State of New-York, on the morning of the first Monday of January, 1867:

RESOURCES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Notes and Bills Discounted | $252,972 70 |
| Indebtedness of Directors | 64,200 00— 317,172 70 |
| Overdrafts | 1,270 00 |
| Banking-house | |
| Furniture and Fixtures | |
| Current Expenses | 51,200 00 |
| Premiums | |
| Cash items (including Revenue Stamps) | 2,196 25 |
| Due from the following National Banks, Exchanges, Uncollected Check | 17,281 23 |
| Due from other Banks and Bankers, as follows: Schedule B | 170,794 97 |
| United States Bonds deposited with United States Treasurer to secure circulating notes | 448 08 |
| United States Bonds deposited with United States Treasurer to secure deposits | 320,000 00 |
| Other United States securities with United States Treasurer to secure Deposits | $10,000 00 |
| Cash on hand in circulating notes of other National Banks | 65,000 00— 75,000 00 |
| Specie | 74 00— |
| Fractional Currency | 4,200 00 |
| Legal-tender Notes | 129,960 00 |
| Compound Interest Notes | 160,340 00— 294,500 00 |
| Total | $1,542,689 41 |

LIABILITIES.

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|---|---|
| Capital Stock paid in | $350,000 00 |
| Surplus Fund | 6,000 00 |
| Circulating Notes received from Comptroller | |
| Amount Outstanding | 283,500 00 |
| Individual Deposits | 744,733 07 |
| United States Deposits | 40,419 38 |
| Due to other Banks and Bankers, as follows: New-York Savings Bank | $10,000 00 |
| Metropolitan Savings Bank | 63,451 22— 73,451 22 |
| State Bank circulation outstanding | 8,153 00 |
| Profit and Loss | 6,367 99 |
| Due on Dividends | 15,104 84— 15,494 83 |
| | 11,139 91 |
| Total | $1,542,689 41 |

I, W. S. CARMAN, Cashier of the East River National Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

*State of New-York, City and County of New-York.*—Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of January, 1867.

JOHN VAN ORDEN, Notary Public.

[U. S. Internal Revenue five cent stamp, canceled.]

QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE CONdition of the EIGHTH NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK on the morning of the first Monday of January, 1867:

ASSETS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Notes and bills discounted | $444,154 80 |
| Indebtedness of Directors | 77,500 00 |
| Banking-house | 50,000 00 |
| Expenses | 461 46 |
| Premiums | 12,500 00 |
| Cash Items and Revenue Stamps | 10,278 04 |
| Due from National Banks | 37,064 47 |
| United States Bonds deposited with United States Treasurer | 280,000 00 |
| United States securities | 26,350 00 |
| Cash on hand, viz.: | |
| National Bank notes | $29,663 00 |
| National Bank checks, &c. | 85,872 71 |
| Specie | 11,819 42 |
| Fractional currency | 1,366 00 |
| Legal Tenders | 276,792 00 |
| Compound interest notes | 55,0 0 00— 516,710 13 |
| Total | $1,517,018 90 |

LIABILITIES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Capital Stock | $250,000 00 |
| Surplus fund | 25,000 00 |
| Circulation | 226,000 00 |
| Individual deposits | $879,177 97 |
| United States deposits | 81,761 29 |
| National Bank deposits | 20,473 48— 981,411 74 |
| Unpaid dividends | 2,275 00 |
| Discounts | $2 4 97 |
| Interest | 1,0 6 26 |
| Profit and loss | 5,570 90— 8,582 16 |
| Total | $1,517,018 90 |

I, CHARLES HUDSON, Cashier of the Eighth National Bank of the City of New-York, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of January, 1867.

W. H. KIPP, Notary Public.

NATIONAL SHOE AND LEATHER BANK, }
NEW-YORK, Jan. 8, 1867. }

AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this Bank, held at the Banking House this day, the following-named gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year, viz:

A. V. STOUT, W. W. WAKEMAN,
E. F. BEEKMAN, F. J. CLARK,
WM. SELIGMAN, JAS. L. STEWART,
JOHN B. DICKINSON, SAMUEL HOLMES,
THOS. CARLTON, GEO. S. MOULTON,
CHARLES P. PORTER, JOHN R. CECIL,
N. T. PORTER, W. HUNTINGTON,
SAMUEL W. BASS.

And at a subsequent meeting of the Directors A. V. STOUT was unanimously reelected President and N. T. PORTER was unanimously reelected Vice-President.

J. M. CRANE, Cashier.

SEVENTH WARD NATIONAL BANK OF NEW-YORK, }
NEW-YORK, Jan. 8, 1867. }

AT AN ELECTION HELD THIS DAY, the following-named gentlemen were duly reelected Directors for the ensuing year:

WILLIAM HALSE, ABM. B. VAN NEST.
JOHN W. LAWRENCE, SPENCER ELLIS,
FRANCIS GROSS, CHARLES H. HARBECK,
RONS W. WILLIS, WALTER BOWNE and
AUG. C. DOWNING, WILLIAM J. CRUCK.

At a meeting of the Board subsequently held, ALFRED S. FRASER was unanimously reelected President.

FRED S. FRASER, Cashier. GEORGE MONTAGUE, Cashier.

EIGHTH NATIONAL BANK, }
NEW-YORK, Jan. 8, 1867. }

AT AN ELECTION HELD THIS DAY for Directors of this Bank, the following gentlemen were unanimously elected for the ensuing year:

WM. S. CORWIN, CHAS. G. CORNELL,
BENJ. T. SEALEY, JOHN S. MARTIN,
AARON RAYMOND, ROBERT DUNLAP,
WM. H. KIPP, JOHN FOWLER, Jr.,
UNION ADAMS.

And at a subsequent meeting of the Board UNION ADAMS, Esq., was unanimously elected President. vice E. C. ROBINSON, Esq., resigned.

CHAS. HUDSON, Cashier.

BANK OF THE MANHATTAN COMPANY, }
NEW-YORK, Jan. 10, 1867. }

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF Directors of the bank held this day it was

*Resolved*, That the officers of this bank be authorized to pay out of its reserved profits the City, County and State taxes for the year 1866 for the shareholders who have not paid, and refund it to those who have, and that they be requested to bring the tax receipt as evidence of such payment. J. S. HARBERGER, Cashier.

P. S.—In order to facilitate this arrangement, the stockholders who have paid are earnestly requested to present their claims immediately.

OFFICE OF THE WILKES-BARRE COAL AND IRON COMPANY, 16 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 1, 1867.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the Wilker-Barre Coal and Iron Company for the election of Directors, &c., will be held at their office, in the Borough of Wilkes-Barre Penn., on WEDNESDAY, 30th instant, at 10 o'clock A. M. Polls will close at 11 o'clock. The transfer-books will be closed from the 15th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive. By order of the Board.

WM. H. TILLINGHAST, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE CONTINENTAL INSURANCE CO., }
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1866. }

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Company will be held on MONDAY, the 14th day of January next, at the office of the Company, No. 52 Broadway, between Wall and Pine sts. The poll will open at 12 o'clock noon, and continue open one hour. CYRUS PECK, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE BROADWAY INSURANCE CO., }
JAN. 10, 1867. }

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Company will be held on TUESDAY, the 22d day of January next, at the office of the Company, No. 158 Broadway. The poll will open at 12 o'clock, noon, and continue open one hour.

JOHN WRAY, Secretary.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF THE REPUBLIC, }
NEW-YORK, Jan. 10, 1867. }

THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THIS BANK are hereby notified that City, County and State Taxes will be assumed and paid by the Bank. Those who may have already paid will be refunded the amount.

H. W. FORD, Cashier.

## BUSINESS CHANCES.

THE SUBSCRIBER BEING ABOUT TO remove to San Francisco, is desirous of forming business relations with reliable parties in this State, as partner, or in any capacity profitable to both parties. Address J. H. O., Box No. 478 Albany, N. Y.

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COLTON DENTAL ASSOCIATION ORIginated the use of Nitrous Oxide Gas, and have extracted teeth for over 15,000 patients, who have declared that it was done without pain. Gas pure and fresh every day. We "never fail." Office No. 19 Cooper Institute.

AT NO. 192 6TH-AV. CAN BE HAD A set of Gum Teeth for $12. A set of plain Teeth $6. Teeth filled with gold $1; extracting 25 cents. All work warranted.

## DIVIDENDS.

# AMERICAN EXCHANGE

Fire Insurance Company,

NO. 141 BROADWAY.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 9, 1867.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of FIVE PER CENT., free of tax, payable on demand.

WILLIAM RAYNOR, Secretary.

THIRTIETH DIVIDEND.

# Clinton Fire Insurance Company.

A semi-annual Dividend of Five (5) per cent., free of tax, has THIS DAY, been declared, payable on demand at the office of this Company, No. 156 Broadway.

JAMES B. AMES, Jr., Secretary.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 3, 1867.

FOURTEENTH DIVIDEND.

STANDARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, }
OFFICE No. 11 WALL-ST., }
NEW-YORK, Jan. 8, 1867. }

A semi-annual dividend of Five per cent., free of Government tax, has this day been declared, payable on demand.

WILLIAM M. ST. JOHN, Secretary.

NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE IN NEW-YORK.

DIVIDEND.—A semi-annual dividend of Five (5) per Cent., free from Government tax, has been declared on the capital stock of the Bank, payable on and after MONDAY, Jan. 7. H. F. VAIL, Cashier.

DIVIDENDS.

Savage Silver Mining Company, $100, gold, per foot; due new. Yellow Jacket Silver Mining Company, $500 per foot; due 15th inst. Payable at the agency of the Bank of California. LEES & WALKER, No. 33 Pine-st.

PITTSBURGH, FORT WAYNE AND CHICAGO RAILWAY CO., OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, }
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 17, 1866. }

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared the regular quarterly dividend of Two and a-half per cent., free of Government tax, on the capital stock, and semi-annual dividend of Three and a Half per cent., less the Government tax, on the third mortgage bonds, payable on and after the 10th day of January, 1867, at the office of Messrs. Winslow, Lanier & Co., Nos. 27 and 29 Pine-st., to those registered at New-York, and at the office of the Treasurer to those registered at Pittsburgh.

The transfer books will close on the 20th day of December, at 2 o'clock P. M., and reopen on the 17th day of January, 1867.

F. M. HUTCHINSON, Secretary.

BANK OF AMERICA, NEW-YORK, Dec. 22, 1866.

DIVIDEND.—THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECtors of the Bank of America have this day declared a dividend of 5 per cent. for the current six months, free from Government tax, payable to the stockholders on and after WEDNESDAY, Jan. 2, 1867; and an extra dividend or 3 per cent. to cover the tax of the State, City and County taxes of 1866, on the shareholders; the Bank, to be paid to the shareholders on satisfactory evidence of there being no claim thereon for taxes.

The transfer books will remain closed from this date until the morning of SATURDAY, Jan. 5, 1867.

WM. I. JENKINS, Cashier.

GENERAL OFFICES ERIE RAILWAY COMPANY, }
No. 187 WEST-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 29, 1866. }

DIVIDEND.—THE DIRECTORS OF THIS COMpany have declared a dividend on the preferred stock of the Company for the year ending 31st December, ult., of seven per cent., payable free of Government tax, on MONDAY, the 21st day of January, 1867, at the Treasurer's Office, Erie-place, to the registered holders of stock at the closing of the books.

The transfer-books of the preferred stock will close on SATURDAY, the 5th, and reopen on the 22d inst.

By order of the Board.

HORATIO N. OTIS, Secretary.

PHENIX NATIONAL BANK, }
NEW-YORK, Dec. 29, 1866. }

A DIVIDEND OF FOUR PER CENT. has been this day declared, payable on and after Jan. 2, 1867, the Bank assuming to pay the State, County and City tax, in the event that the United States Supreme Court shall decide the said tax to be legal and binding on the Bank or its stockholders. The transfer books will be closed from

## SHIPPING.

**NATIONAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.**
(Limited.)
Steamers weekly to Liverpool, calling at Queenstown.
The splendid first-class iron steamships of this line will be dispatched as follows from Pier No. 47 North River:
PENNSYLVANIA, Capt. Lewis. SATURDAY, Jan. 12
ERIN, Capt. Cutting..... SATURDAY, Jan. 19
THE QUEEN, Capt. Grouse..... SATURDAY, Jan. 26
DENMARK, Capt. Thomson..... SATURDAY, Feb. 2
And every Saturday thereafter.
An experienced Surgeon on each ship, free of charge.
Drafts issued for any amount, payable at any bank in Great Britain, or on the continent.
Rates of passage, payable in currency.
Cabin..... Steerage.
To Liverpool or Queenstown....$100 $30
Through passage to Paris, London, Antwerp, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at low rates.
Steerage passage tickets to bring persons from Liverpool or Queenstown for $35, currency, can be obtained at No. 22 Broadway.
For freight or cabin passage apply at the office of the Company, No. 27 Broadway; for steerage tickets, at the passage office of the Company, No. 27 Broadway, or No. 129 Pearl-st.
F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

**LONDON AND NEW-YORK STEAMSHIP LINE.**
Passage to London, $80, $80 and $90 currency.
Passage from London, $75, $80 and $90 gold.
ATALANTA Capt. PENHAM, from New-York, Jan. 12.
BELLONA, Capt. DIXON, from New-York, Feb. 2.
CELLA, Capt. GLEADELL, from New-York, Feb. 16.
WM. PENN, Capt. BILLINGS, from New-York, Feb. 27.
The new and elegant British iron steamship ATALANTA, 3,000 tons, will leave Pier No. 3, North River, for London direct, on SATURDAY, Jan. 12.
The accommodations for passengers on this ship are unsurpassed.
Freight will be taken and through bills of lading given to Havre, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Amsterdam, and Dunkirk.
For passage apply to CHAS. A. WHITNEY, No. 26 Broadway.
For freight apply at No. 54 South-st.
HOWLAND & ASPINWALL, Agents.

**STEAM TO LIVERPOOL — CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.**—The Inman Line, sailing semi-weekly, carrying the United States Mails:
CITY OF BALTIMORE.....SATURDAY.....Jan. 12
CITY OF LIMERICK.....WEDNESDAY.....Jan. 16
CITY OF CORK.....SATURDAY.....Jan. 19
CITY OF DUBLIN.....WEDNESDAY.....Jan. 23
CITY OF NEW-YORK.....SATURDAY.....Jan. 26
and each succeeding SATURDAY and WEDNESDAY, at noon, from Pier No. 45 North River.
RATES OF PASSAGE.
By the mail steamers sailing every Saturday.
PAYABLE IN GOLD. | PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
First Cabin.....$90 | Steerage.....$30
First Cabin to London.....95 | Steerage to London.....34
First Cabin to Paris.....105 | Steerage to Paris.....40
Passage by the Wednesday steamers: first cabin, $80; steerage, $30. Payable in United States currency.
Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at moderate rates.
Steerage passage from Liverpool or Queenstown, $37 currency. Tickets can be bought here by persons sending for their friends.
For further information, apply at the Company's offices. JOHN G. DALE, Agent, No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

**THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS,**
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR;
BETWEEN BOSTON AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT HALIFAX AND CORK HARBOR.
CHINA leaves Boston, Wednesday, Jan. 9.
PERSIA leaves New-York, Wednesday, Jan. 23.
ASIA leaves Boston, Wednesday, Jan. 30.
CUBA leaves New-York, Wednesday, Feb. 6.
AFRICA leaves Boston, Wednesday, Feb. 13.
AUSTRALASIAN leaves New-York Wednesday, Feb. 20.
FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage.....$150
Second Cabin Passage.....100
FROM BOSTON TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage.....$125
Second Cabin Passage.....80
Payable in gold, or its equivalent in United States currency.
Berths not secured until paid for.
An experienced surgeon on board.
The owners of these ships will not be accountable for specie or valuables unless bills of lading having the value expressed are signed therefor.
For freight or passage, apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

**CUNARD EMIGRANT LINE,**
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.
FROM NEW-YORK EVERY WEDNESDAY.
TARIFA.....Jan. 16
ALEPPO.....Jan. 30
RATES OF PASSAGE:
Cabin.....$86 Gold.
Steerage.....$30 Currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown $35 currency.
For Steerage Passage, apply at No. 6 Broadway.
For Freight and Cabin Passage, at No. 4 Bowling-green. E. CUNARD.

**ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.**
**THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.**
The splendid new vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River, as follows:
PEREIRE.....DUCHESNE.....SATURDAY, Jan. 12
VILLE DE PARIS.....SURMONT.....SATURDAY, Jan. 26
EUROPE.....LEMARIE.....SATURDAY, Feb. 9
ST. LAURENT.....BOCANDE.....SATURDAY, Feb. 23
PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD.
First cabin, $180; second cabin, $100, including wine. These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.
Medical attendance free of charge.
Passengers intending to land at Brest can be furnished on board with railroad coupon tickets, and their baggage checked to Paris, at an additional charge of $5 for first and $3 for second class.
GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent, No. 58 Broadway.

**STEAMER PEREIRE, FOR BREST** and Havre, will leave Pier No. 50 North River, foot of Morton-street, SATURDAY, Jan. 12, at 10 A.M. Passengers are requested to be on board at 9½ o'clock.

**GREAT REDUCTION**
IN PRICE OF PASSAGE TO EUROPE
BY THE
ONLY AMERICAN LINE TO ENGLAND AND FRANCE.
The New-York and Havre Steamship Company's first-class mail steamships ARAGO and FULTON, having been thoroughly refitted, will leave Pier No. 37 North River for Havre, calling at Falmouth, on the following days, at noon, precisely:
ARAGO, HENRI A GADSDEN.....Saturday, Dec. 22, 1866.
And every twenty-eight days thereafter.
PRICES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN GOLD
FIRST-CLASS:
Main Saloon.....$160 | Lower Saloon.....$80
Second Cabin.....$90.
An experienced surgeon on board.
The company will not be responsible for specie or valuables unless bills of lading, having the value expressed, are signed therefor.
J. J. COMSTOCK, Agent,
No. 7 Broadway, New-York.
JAMES A. WOTTON, Havre General Agent in Europe.
L'HERBETTE, KA E & CO., Agents in Paris.

**STEAM TO GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.**
Calling at Londonderry to land mails and passengers.
The favorite passenger steamships of the
NEW-YORK AND GLASGOW LINE
SAIL EVERY SATURDAY.
HIBERNIA sails.....SATURDAY, Jan. 12
UNITED KINGDOM sails.....SATURDAY, Jan. 19
IOWA sails.....SATURDAY, Jan. 26
From Pier No. 44 North River.
RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
To Liverpool, Glasgow and Derry—Cabins, $80 and $70; steerage, $36.
Prepaid certificates from those ports to New-York, $35.
To Hamburg, Havre, Antwerp, &c., $100 and $67.
For further particulars apply at the Company's office.
FRANCIS MACDONALD & CO., Agents,
No. 6 Bowling-green, New-York.

**PASSAGE TO AND FROM**
GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND
BY STEAMSHIP AND SAILING PACKET,
AT REDUCED RATES.
DRAFTS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT ENGLAND, IRELAND, SCOTLAND AND WALES.
For particulars apply to
TAPSCOTT, BROTHERS & CO.,
No. 86 South-st., and No. 23 Broadway.

**FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.**
UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 22d of every month:
NORTH AMERICA, Capt. L. F. TIMMERMAN. Jan. 22.
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. E. L. TINKLEPAUGH. Feb. 22.
GUIDING STAR, Capt. SLOCUM. March 22.
These elegant steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning, for engagement of freight or passage, apply to GARRISON & ALLEN, Agents,
No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

**FOR HAVANA, VIA NASSAU, N. P.**
The British and North American Royal Mail Steam Packet Company's new steamer CORSICA, Capt. LE MESURIER, will sail for the above ports, from the Company's wharf, at Jersey City, on
MONDAY.....Jan. 28 | MONDAY.....Feb. 25
Passage money to Nassau.....$45
Passage money to Havana.....50
Payable in gold or its equivalent.
No freight received on day before sailing.
For freight or passage apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

**UNITED STATES MAIL TO HAVANA.**
WEST INDIA MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
CHANGE OF SAILING DAY.
EVERY SATURDAY, at 3 P. M.
The favorite steamships
HAVANA.....WHITMAN..SATURDAY, Jan. 19
MORRO CASTLE.....DAMS.....SATURDAY, Jan. 26
EAGLE.....BOCANEGRA..SATURDAY, Feb. 2
For freight or passage apply to
GARRISON & ALLEN, Ag'ts, 5 Bowling-green, N. Y.

**EMPIRE LINE FOR SAVANNAH.**
Every SATURDAY from Pier No. 13 North River, Punctually at 3 o'clock P. M.
The favorite steamships
SAN JACINTO, LOVELAND Commander, sails Jan. 12.
SAN SALVADOR ATKINS, Commander, sails Jan. 19.
Through tickets and bills of lading to points in connection with the Central Railroad of Georgia, Atlantic and Gulf Railroad, and Florida steamers.
Elegant passenger accommodations.
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**FOR SAVANNAH, GA.— VERY THURSDAY**—THE ATLANTIC COAST MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.'S side-wheel steamship
HERMAN LIVINGSTON, Capt. BAKER, sails on THURSDAY, Jan. 17.
GENERAL BARNES, Capt. MORTON, sails THURSDAY, Jan. 24.
From Pier No. 36 North River at 3 P. M.
Through passage tickets and bills of lading to all points in connection with the Central Railroad of Georgia. For freight or passage apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents, 88 Liberty-st.

**THE OLD LINE**
**FOR RICHMOND, NORFOLK AND CITY POINT.**
From Pier No. 21, North River.
Steamship SARATOGA, Capt. KING,
leaves every WEDNESDAY, at 3 P. M.
Steamship NIAGARA, Capt. COUCH,
every SATURDAY, at 3 P. M.
G. HEINEKEN & PALMORE,
No. 115 Broadway, Agents.

**FOR NEW-ORLEANS — BLACK STAR LINE.**
The steamship
HUNTSVILLE, Capt. RYDER,
will leave on SATURDAY, Jan. 12, 1867, from Pier No. 13 N. R., at 3 o'clock precisely.
For freight or passage, having superior accommodations, apply to R. LOWDEN, Agent,
Corner Cedar and West sts.
DAVID McCOARD, Agent in New-Orleans.

**STAR LINE FOR NEW-ORLEANS.**
The NEW-YORK MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S fine ocean steamers will leave Pier No. 46 North River, at 3 o'clock P. M., as follows:
MISSOURI, on SATURDAY, Jan. 12.
MONTEREY, on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 16.
HAVANA, on SATURDAY, Jan. 19.
MERRIMACK, on SATURDAY, Jan. 26.
All bills of lading signed at the office upon the pier.
For freight or passage apply to
C. A. GARRISON, President. No. 5 Bowling-green.

## SHIPPING.

**PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S THROUGH LINE**
**TO CALIFORNIA,**
CARRYING UNITED STATES MAIL,
VIA PANAMA RAILROAD.
Steamers leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock, noon, as follows:
DEC. 31.—NEW-YORK, Capt. W. G. FURBER, connecting with CONSTITUTION, Capt. CAVERLY.
JAN. 11.—HENRY CHAUNCEY, Capt. A. G. GRAY, connecting with GOLDEN AGE, Capt. LAPIDGE.
JAN. 21.—RISING STAR, Capt. T. A. HARRIS, connecting with GOLDEN CITY, Capt. J. T. WATKINS.
All departures touch at Acapulco; those of 1st and 21st connect at Panama with steamers for South Pacific ports; 1st and 11th for Central American Ports, and those of 1st touch at Manzanillo.
Departure of 11th each month connects with the new steam line from Panama to Australia and New-Zealand.
Steamer of March 11, 1867, will connect with the Company's steamer COLORADO, to save San Francisco for Yokohama and Hong Kong, on April 3, 1867.
100 pounds baggage allowed each adult. Medicines and attendance free.
For passage tickets and all further information apply at the office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st., North River, New-York. F. R. BABY, Agent.

**STEAM COMMUNICATION BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND AUSTRALASIA.**
VIA PANAMA.
The Panama, New-Zealand and Australian Royal Mail Company dispatch a steamer on the 24th of each month from Panama to Wellington, N. Z., and the Australian Colonies, connecting with the steamer of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company leaving New-York for Aspinwall (Colon) on the 11th of each month. First and second class passengers can be conveyed under through ticket at the following rates: From New-York to ports in New-Zealand, or to Sydney or Melbourne, $340 to $344 for first class, and $218 to $243 for second class, payable in United States gold coin.
Special steamers run to the newly-discovered gold region of Hokitika, New-Zealand.
A limited quantity of merchandise will be conveyed under through bill of lading.
For further information, application to be made to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, No. 59 Wall-st., or to
CHARLES W. WEST, Agent,
No. 23 William-st., New-York.

STEAMSHIP "MONTANA,"
PANAMA, Sept. 25, 1866.
**LUIS CONSINO, ESQ., PROPRIETOR**
of the Lota Coal Mine, Lota, Chile, S. A.:
SIR: Having had considerable experience with bituminous coal, I find that the Coal from your Mine is equally as good as any that ever came under my notice.
Our consumption daily has been Thirty-five (35) Tons, while for the Westward it has been Thirty (30) Tons. There is about Eight (8) per cent. of waste, wholly clinker.
I find but a slight difference between it and the English Cardiff, and about equal with the German coal.
I cheerfully recommend it to all who may require its use as a steam generator.
Yours truly,
(Signed) WM. B. SKIDMORE,
Chief-Engineer Steamship "Montana."
P. M. S. S. Co.

**FOR RICHMOND, NORFOLK AND CITY POINT.**
The side-wheel steamships PATTERAS, Capt. ALEXANDER, every SATURDAY; ALBEMARLE, Capt. BOURNE, every WEDNESDAY at 12 M., from Pier No. 36 North River; giving through bills of lading, &c., to all points on the Roanoke Railroad and its connections.
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents, 88 Liberty-st.

**FOR CHARLESTON, S. C. THE FLORIDA PORTS AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST.**—REGULAR UNITED STATES MAIL LINE.—One of the favorite and elegant steamships
QUAKER CITY, SARAGOSSA,
ANDALUSIA, GRANADA,
will leave Pier No. 14 East River, foot of Wall-st., every SATURDAY, at 3 P. M., connecting at Charleston with the steamer DICTATOR for the Florida ports. Through bills of lading given to all points in connection with the South Carolina Railroad; and passage tickets issued to all of the principal cities in the South and Southwest.
Steamer of March 11, 1867, will connect with the Company's steamer COLORADO, to save San Francisco for Yokohama and Hong Kong, on April 3, 1867.
100 pounds baggage allowed each adult. Medicines and attendance free.
For passage tickets and all further information apply at the office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st., North River, New-York. F. R. BABY, Agent.

**FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.**
The new and first-class steamship GENERAL GRANT, Capt. C. H. BOARDMAN, will leave Pier No. 9, North River, on SATURDAY, Jan. 12, at 3 o'clock P. M.
For freight or passage, having unsurpassed accommodations, apply to
H. B. CROMWELL & CO., No. 86 West-st.
The GENERAL MEADE will follow, Jan. 19.

## STEAMBOATS.

**THE OLD LINE.**
SAG HARBOR, GREENPORT, ORIENT,
Steamer ARTISAN, Capt. S. C. GIBBS, from Pier No. 22 East River, (foot of Fulton-st.), every SATURDAY, at 4 P. M.
WILLIAMS BROTHERS, No. 5 Beekman-st.

**FOR PROVIDENCE DIRECT.**—THE steamer YORKSHIRE, Capt. GEO. B. HULL, will leave Pier No. 35, North River, for Providence, EVERY SATURDAY AFTERNOON, at 4 o'clock.
Freight at reasonable rates by application on board or to BISKELEY, PHILLIPS, Pier No. 216 Franklin-st.

**FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD, &c.**—Fare 75 cents. Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3:15 and 11 P. M., connecting with railroad.

## RAILROADS.

**HUDSON RIVER AND HARLEM RAILROADS.**—On and after MONDAY, Jan. 7, 1867, trains for Albany and Troy, connecting with Northern and Western trains, will leave New-York as follows:
2 A. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, 30th-st. and 10th-av., through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars, and connecting at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and Montreal.
10 A. M. Express and Mail train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for North.
11 A. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, &c.; at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and Montreal.
3:45 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Montreal, with sleeping car attached.
4:15 P. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, &c.; at Albany with Western trains and at Troy with trains for Rutland, Burlington and Montreal. Sleeping cars attached at Albany.
6:30 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-cars attached, and through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars. Sleeping cars running to Albany, also, excepting Saturdays attached from New-York through to Ogdensburgh without change, via Rome, W. and O. Railroads. Connection for Troy will be made at East Albany. This train will run on Sundays.
11 P. M. Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping car attached, connecting at Albany with early trains for Buffalo and Suspension Bridge, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga and points North.
A Sunday train will be run via Hudson River Railroad from New-York to Poughkeepsie and intermediate stations, leaving New-York at 8:30 A. M. Returning, leave Poughkeepsie at 2:45 P. M., arriving in New-York at 8:15 P. M.
A Sunday train will be run via Harlem Railroad, leaving 42d-st. at 9 A. M., and arriving at Millerton at 3:50 P. M. Returning, leave Millerton at 5 P. M., arriving in New-York at 12:30 A. M.
WM. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-President.

**ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS LEAVE DEPOT** (foot of Chambers-st., Pavonia Ferry:
8 A. M.—Day Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk, and all points West and South.
8:45 A. M.—Way Train daily to Otisville.
10 A. M.—Express Mail, Buffalo, Salamanca and West.
4 P. M.—Way Train for Port Jervis, Newburgh, Warwick.
5 P. M.—Night Express, Buffalo, Salamanca and Dunkirk.
6:30 P. M.—Night Express, daily, for Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk, and all points West and South.
7:30 P. M.—Emigrant Train daily, for the West.
Express trains run in direct connection with all Southern and West trains.
WM. R. BARR, H. RIDDLE,
Gen'l Pass. Agent. Gen'l Sup't.

**LONG ISLAND RAILROAD.—WINTER ARRANGEMENT FROM JAN. 3, 1867.**
Trains leave James-slip, New-York:
9 A. M., mail train for Greenport and way stations.
11 A. M., for Syosset and way stations.
3 P. M., Express train; and on Saturday nights for Riverhead.
4 P. M., for Syosset and way stations.
5 P. M., for Farmingdale and way stations.

**NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY**
—Trains leave Jersey City for Piermont at 8:26 and 9:12 A. M. and 1:15 4:22 and 6:02 P. M. Saturdays only at 11:15 P. M. The 9:12 and 4:22, run through to Monsey.
THOMAS W. DEMAREST, Superintendent.

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**BOARD WANTED.**—A DRESSMAKER, WHO only does first-class work, wants board in a private family, not above 30th-st. nor below 4th-st., on the west side; reference exchanged. Address O. M. A., Station E.

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**A NICELY-FURNISHED FRONT ROOM** to one or two gentlemen; $10 or $12 per week. Inquire at No. 1,128 Broadway.

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**FURNISHED ROOMS TO RENT, WITH** out board, to gentleman only, at No. 13 East 16th-st., between Broadway and 5th-av.

**TO LET—WITH BOARD, A ROOM FOR ONE** gentleman: dinner at 6. Apply at No. 186 26-st.

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**FURNITURE, CARPETS, OIL-CLOTHS,** Bedding, Parlor and Bedroom suites, Piano-fortes, &c., at BENDALL & SCOTT'S, corner of Canal and Hudson-sts. Payment taken by week or monthly payments if preferred.

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**IMPROVED IRON AND COAL PROPERTY FOR SALE.**
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## POLITICAL.

### THE IMPEACHMENT INQUIRY.

#### What Republican Journals Say on the Subject.

*New-York Tribune.*

We do not say that a President should not be impeached. We by no means say that Mr. JOHNSON should not be impeached. That would be to take judgment into our own hands. We think this Administration has been a disgrace—a calamity—the cause of many evils to the country. We should like some redress. But how is it to be had? In attempting to remove these evils may we not fly to others that we know not of? May we not put a precedent upon our statute books which will give any Democratic majority in the Senate or House in future years the right to revolutionize the Government in the interest of Slavery? Let us walk slowly, and survey the ground before us. Let us not by violent hands upon the Executive office entail we find that no other course remains to the honor of the nation. Perhaps we are wrong; but it does not seem to us that the time for the extreme alternative has come.

*Albany Evening Journal.*

The temptation to proceed to extreme measures in rebuking the outrageous policy of the President is very great; but sober second thought establishes the value of deliberation. Congress is so strongly for the right, and has such absolute power to negative the schemes of the President—whatever may be his intentions—that there can be no sufficient reason for incurring the hazards and excitements of a process looking to his removal from office.

*Boston Journal.*

There are other matters of much more vital interest to the whole country demanding the attention of Congress, and the members had better attend to them at once, and leave the impeachment matter until there is some more pressing necessary for considering it than there is at present. When that time comes the subject must be entered upon with a different spirit and from different motives from those which seemed to characterize some of the most earnest advocates of the measure at the meeting on Saturday. It is too grave a matter to be insulted to gratify the personal animosities or ambitious aspirations of any one or any half dozen members of Congress. The country does not at present demand the impeachment of the President, and Congress had better let the matter rest until such a demand is heard. In the meantime, if it will attend faithfully and promptly to the tariff measures now before it, to the reduction of our burdensome taxation, to measures looking to a return to a sound financial condition, it will do better service than to get up impeachment resolutions, and keep the country in a continual ferment. We hope that wise counsels will prevail, and that we shall have a few weeks of that practical legislation, for the want of which all departments of trade and business are suffering.

*Portland Daily Press.*

A searching investigation of the President's official conduct is what the country expects. Congress has already appointed committees to report upon those incidents of his administration which have seemed especially objectionable. It would have been well to wait for those reports before proceeding to consider what shall be done provided the result of the authorized inquiries corresponds to the popular impression. Mr. ASHLEY, perhaps for the sake of identifying his name with the movement, has chosen to anticipate the reports, and the House, not choosing to be put in a false position by rejecting his resolution, has instructed the Judiciary Committee to inquire whether the President deserves impeachment. That Committee will probably wait at least for the further information which is expected from the New-Orleans Committee and from Mr. BOWEN'S Special Committee before taking any definite action.

*Brooklyn Union.*

The reference of charges of impeachment against the President to the Judiciary Committee does not indicate immediate agitation of the subject, but rather the contrary. It keeps it out of Congress until the Committee have thoroughly sifted and examined all the charges, and choked off numerous immature and harum-scarum propositions that would otherwise be offered. The country may rest sure that the Committee will never allow the charges to come forward again and assume definite shape, until it has first been ascertained that they are sufficiently important and susceptible of proof to justify their receiving the formal attention of the grand inquest of the nation.

*Springfield (Mass.) Republican.*

If any sort of case could be made out for impeachment, Congress would not be slow to undertake it, but it is so obvious, as Judge SPALDING, of Ohio, confessed in the caucus, that no serious charge can be sustained, that it is worse than a waste of time for Congress to occupy itself with the matter at all. Mr. STEVENS made one of his violent speeches, in which he said that it was impossible to reconstruct the South with ANDREW JOHNSON as President. He was the head and front of all opposition, and so long as he remained there the laws of Congress would be inoperative, and the power of the army, which might be required to enforce the laws of Congress, would be subject to the control of ANDREW JOHNSON. The chief thing necessary to the full enforcement of the laws was the removal of the obstacle thus interposed. He was for impeachment regardless of consequences to himself, and thought members should look at the subject in the same manner. Enabling acts and reconstruction measures were useless as long as ANDREW JOHNSON was President. Either the doors must be opened wide and the rebels admitted to their seats, or the President be removed.

A question was raised whether the Senate could go on with a trial for impeachment, if it were not completed at this session. Mr. STEVENS thought they could, as the Senate is a perpetual body. Mr. BINGHAM, of Ohio, and Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, thought not. Mr. BOUTWELL, of this State, was for referring the whole matter to the Judiciary Committee, and said if grounds of impeachment were found by that Committee, the people would expect Congress to do its duty. This policy prevailed by a vote of thirty-four to three, Mr. STEVENS carrying out two with him. This of course confirmed the opinion Mr. STEVENS had expressed during the debate, that caucuses only served as a rallying for weak-kneed and feeble members to hide their defection and treachery from their constituents.

Mr. BOUTWELL is a member of the Judiciary Committee, and as he is strongly committed to impeachment, he will be very certain to press it if he can discover any ground for it. For the present it is at rest, and will probably descend to Gen. BUTLER next year.

*Troy Daily Whig.*

As we anticipated, the resolution of impeachment presented to the House by the member from Ohio has been referred to the Committee on Judiciary. That action virtually kills it, for the Committee know that the measure is opposed to the sentiment of a majority of the members, and will report adversely to its adoption. One significant circumstance connected with the resolut on is the modification of its intent. Originally, Mr. ASHLEY designed to make it a direct proposition of impeachment, but it is seen that he has succumbed to the pressure and converts it into a subject for the consideration of the proper committee. This is a concession to the sense of the House which it must have required convincing logic to exact from so uncompromising and fearless a champion of abstract justice as the mover of the resolution. Conceding the necessity of demonstrating to the President that his official existence depended upon his acting in accordance with the wishes of the people, we did not desire to take exception to the Damoclesian sword of impeachment so long as it remained suspended above his head; but when it threatened to sever the thread by which it hung, it is time to inquire into the policy of the act. In the first place, its necessity cannot be shown. The country is in no danger from the actions of President JOHNSON, because there is fortunately a majority in Congress sufficient to override his persistent vetoing. The highest argument, however, against impeachment is that the people do not desire it. Supposing it to take place, what would be the result? A renewal or revival of the intense prejudices of party, and the advent of a condition of affairs which would prostrate commerce, cripple our resources, and expose us once more to the sneers of aristocratic Europe that our greatest achievements consisted in the ability to cut each other's throats. Peace, just now at least, is too essential to the welfare of the nation to be periled as to voluntarily plunge into the vortex of intestine feuds.

*Rochester Express.*

This action does not necessitate formal proceedings against ANDREW JOHNSON, but it shows that the House possesses the moral courage to undertake the grave business, should reason for it be found to exist or to arise. The unanimity with which the Republican members voted upon the resolution is an indication that the responsible majority feel the ground upon which they stand to be entirely safe, and that while they are ready to act boldly by deliberate movement and unity that denote positive and resistless strength and the united support of the loyal people.

*Utica Morning Herald.*

It is a matter for congratulation that the subject has been put into this shape. A committee of lawyers, some of them men of rare ability in their profession, will examine the whole question judicially. They will scrutinize the acts of the President, will sift the evidence which will be adduced to support the charges, and will be most likely to reach conclusions which will be sustained by the House and by the popular sentiment, whether they report articles of impeachment, or that the acts of the arraigned officer do not warrant resort to impeachment. Another excellent feature of this proceeding is, that the investigation will discover the acts of the President, or a great many of them, and present them to the people, so that they may be understood as they are not understood now. He has done much, we have reason to believe, which, if it does not justify impeachment, will not be in any manner creditable to him as the Chief Magistrate of this nation, and will not strongly commend his fidelity as an executive officer, or his patriotism as a citizen. Bad as Mr. JOHNSON appears to the country, his badness is but half understood. It will be better known when the Committee reports the results of their inquiries. While we do not regard impeachment as practicable at the present session of Congress, and for that reason not to be attempted, we discover no objection to this investigation, which may accomplish much good, as we hope it will.

*Buffalo Express.*

The impeachment of the President is too serious a matter to be toyed with. The national honor hangs upon the event, and if the Chief Magistrate deserves impeachment, let that honor be washed and purified by condign punishment, involving total banishment from popular respect and distinction for all time. But before men talk wildly of impeaching the President they should ponder well the magnitude of such an undertaking. No American citizen, for his own respect as such, should threaten impeachment unless he has the proof within his reach that will secure it, and hence we have been surprised at the lightness with which the telegraph and the Press handy words over this most serious subject. Members of Congress should never have referred to it in public to excite interest and solicitude, unless impeachment is inevitable. They hold a position in the scale of honor near the Executive chair, and the offences that would lead to remark on their part, should be crimes that could not avoid conviction and punishment. For this reason we trust that the country will hear no more of bills of impeachment or caucuses, or weak-kneed speeches on this subject, until the bill of indictment shall be found by the grand inquest, and the tribunal of impeachment enters upon the work, clothed with ample proofs to bring the accused to certain judgment. We have no occasion to love or respect President JOHNSON, but we hold a love and respect for our national reputation that would bear it above suspicion, until guilt becomes so patent that our country's honor calls loudly for vindication. Then impeach, with no idle talk over the painful performance.

*Pittsburgh Chronicle.*

At a time when the best ability we have in Congress is urged to its utmost exercise to perfect a judicious system of taxation, regulate the currency and provide for reasonable protection to our imperiled industry, as well as to take some definite action in reference to the States lately in insurrection, the foolish scheme of impeachment is again mooted with greater vigor, and with a greater show of countenance from the members than ever. Surely the members of Congress know that they are not moved in this matter by any popular demand. If they stir up this fresh excitement it is of their own motion. The subject is not agitated on the streets, in the cars, anywhere. The people have taken the proper measure of what the President has done and is able to do, and they have no desire to impeach him. They know that his term of office is drawing to a close, and that they can supply his place with a better man. They will not only pledge himself to abide by the popular will, but will make good his pledges. They know also that the Republican Party has such a majority in Congress that it can entirely control the settlement of all public questions. They feel, too, that there is in some measure a national ignominy in the business of impeaching a President which should not be courted save for overwhelming reasons that leave no choice in the premises.

*Cleveland Herald.*

The reference is eminently proper, as any action which may be ultimately taken by Congress should be predicated on the results of a careful and thorough investigation of the facts by a Committee able to devote proper attention to the matter. In the confusion of a heated debate statements may pass for facts which will not bear the scrutiny of a critical investigation, and a matter of so grave moment as the impeachment of the President should not be undertaken unless every step taken in it is perfectly warranted by the facts.

The reference of the resolution probably disposes of the question so far as the present Congress is concerned. To consider the several charges and take test mony upon them, will consume the greater part, if not all, of the short period between now and the 4th of March. On the 4th of March Congress will be lost the task, if it is attempted at all, of bringing the President to trial.

*Cleveland Daily Leader.*

The action of the caucus of the Union members of the House of Representatives in reference to the proposed resolution of Mr. ASHLEY, directing the impeachment of the President, was a substantial victory of the opponents of that measure, and it has become manifest that the President's hope within constitutional bounds in the future he is in no danger of impeachment by the present Congress. The caucus urged that this resolution and all others looking to the same result should go to the Judiciary Committee without debate. This is equivalent to rejecting them. The Committee consists of Messrs. WILSON, of Iowa; BOUTWELL, of Massachusetts; F. THOMAS, of Maryland; WILLIAMS, of Pennsylvania; WOODBRIDGE, of Vermont; MORRIS, of New-York; COOK, of Illinois; LAWRENCE, of Ohio; and ROGERS, of New-Jersey—all, but the last named, Republicans. This Committee, though radical and able, is against impeachment, and will report adversely on Mr. ASHLEY'S resolution. The caucus further resolved that no resolution of the sort should be urged to a vote until it received the concurrence of two thirds of the Republican members. This is putting a very decided check upon the movement, and we hope that it may henceforth be allowed to rest in peace.

*New-Haven Journal and Courier.*

The Copperheads would be delighted to have the Union men take the false step of impeachment, for they see in it the double chance of personating the President into popularity and of a renewed civil war. EATON laid out the programme by which he hoped for the restoration of the Democracy to power. The first step was the impeachment and deposition of the President. He was afraid the Radicals would not dare do this, but if they did, and he proved as they would, the rest of the way was easy. The President would resist and immediately call upon the Democratic States of Maryland and Virginia for their militia. The Copperheads from all parts of the country would flock to Washington and enlist into the militia of the States, and in a short time the President would have an army of a million of Democrats to lead against the regularly-constituted authorities of the country. This is Mr. EATON'S plan. It is treason and war, led by a President degraded and goaded into rebellion by the ill-considered act of Congress. Mr. EATON and his associates exult in the prospect of such results, and howl for very joy as he draws the picture of a new civil war, more terrible than that from which we have just emerged.

We do not believe in giving miserable plotters any encouragement for their conspiracy. The President is incapable of further mischief. He has two-thirds of both branches of Congress against him all the rest of his term of office, and the Constitution gives to two-thirds of Congress all the law-making power that rests in a minority of Congress and the President. He is not worth impeachment, even had he committed any crime that convinced the people that he really deserved it.

*New-Haven Palladium.*

We agree with almost every newspaper of note in the country that, in the first place, the project is unwise in itself, and that, in the second place, there are other questions of vastly greater importance, to which the attention of Congress can be devoted. At the same time, Congress is the sole judge of its duty, and if it deem impeachment necessary, it has the power to proceed in the premises. To this Bureau Hon. GEORGE CHILTON is the present head. His official title is United States Commissioner of Immigration, and his address is Washington, D. C.

A copy of your communication has been forwarded to him, with a request that he furnish you the information you desire. I do not know if the source of his returns replies from any more reliable than your own.

The second point in your letter is less readily disposed of. The treatment of emigrants on shipboard has long been a subject of great solicitude, and we, too, are in constant receipt of complaints on this score, which, in the case of foreign vessels, we find it almost impossible to afford adequate or satisfactory redress.

The difficulty, as you very clearly state, arises from the disjunction of jurisdiction and testimony; nor is it easy to suggest an efficient remedy.

Possibly the simplest and readiest plan would be to transfer the testimony to the place of jurisdiction. An agent or Commissioner might be appointed by act of Parliament to reside in this City, whose duty it should be to entertain complaints of emigrants arriving in British vessels; or its Consul might be in like manner vested with the requisite authority, testimony to be taken before such on notice to the Captain or master of the vessel, who should be at liberty to appear before the Commissioner or Consul, and cross-examine the witnesses touching any statements which they may wish to offer; this testimony to be forwarded to England, to be used there in a proceeding against the vessel on her return. All the complaints could be united in one proceeding, and a Penalty, if such were found necessary, to me to be the only efficacious method of preventing the abuses referred to. The details would readily occur to any experienced person. The transfer of most American vessels it is, of course, easier to deal. But you are wrong in supposing that complaints or irregularities on board these vessels are preferred through the medium of British Consuls.

The United States Bureau of Emigration, to which reference has already been made, has an officer entitled United States Superintendent of Immigration, stationed at this port, whose special duty it is to receive such complaints and facilitate their hearing by the proper magistrates, or by reference to the Consul.

The outbreak of cholera on certain of the steamships of the National Steam Navigation Company seems to have been in the main unavoidable, though perhaps assisted by the want of cleanliness in those vessels. If your energetic measures we doubtless owe it in great part that the spread of the epidemic in emigrant-bearing vessels was so speedily stayed. But the President of the United States is as amenable to trial and conviction for betraying his trust as the humblest official in the land, and should be as readily brought to the tribunal of justice.

## LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

### EMIGRATION.

#### The Protection of Emigrants—Remedies for Existing Abuses—Interesting Correspondence Between the British Government Emigration Board and the Commissioners of Emigration of New-York.

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SIR: I am in receipt of your esteemed favor of the 2d of August to the Board of Commissioners of Emigration, wherein you invite such suggestions on the working of the emigrant laws as our experience may enable us to offer, and with the particular view to the remedying of certain specified abuses. I need scarcely say that this Commission will cheerfully cooperate with your honorable Board in any scheme for the protection and welfare of the emigrant.

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The difficulty, as you very clearly state, arises from the disjunction of jurisdiction and testimony; nor is it easy to suggest an efficient remedy.

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